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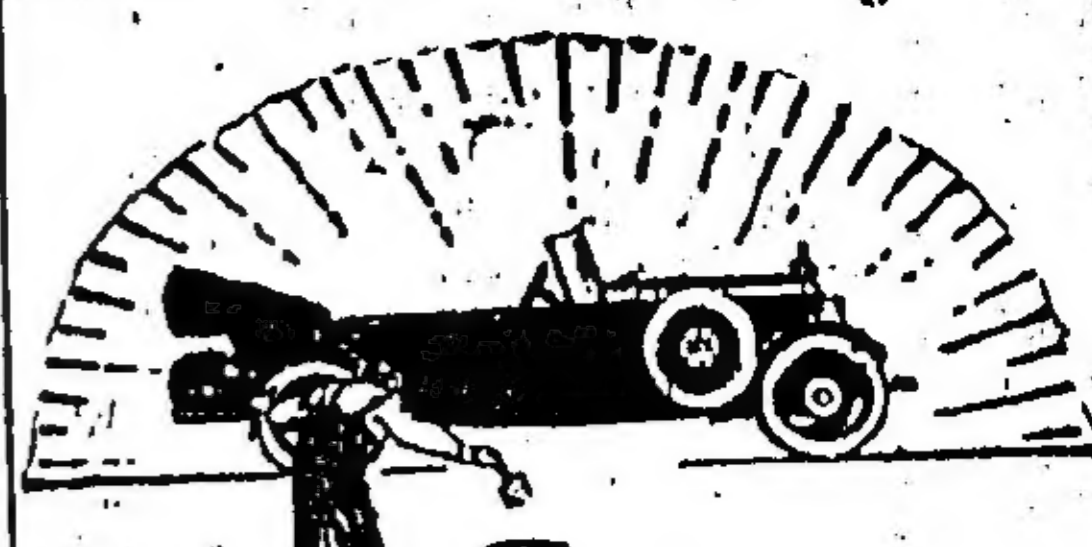
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## POLICE CHIEF LEAVING.

### PRESENTATION BY WEI-HAI-WEI SECTION.

On the occasion of his departure on long leave, the Captain Superintendent of Police, (Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe) was presented with gifts by the members of the Wei-Hai-Wei section of the Hongkong Police Force. About 400 men were identified in this mark of appreciation, of whom over 130 were marshalled in the Central Police Station compound and put through their paces before being drawn up in a square facing the Police Chief. On a table were displayed the gifts, comprising a pair of silver vases and the silver figure of a very old man with elongated forehead and holding a staff—the Chinese symbol of longevity. Stretched between two poles, a large red scroll, with glittering gilt characters, furnished an impressive background. The inscription, we are informed, is to the effect that "His virtues impressed everybody."

Addressing the men, the Captain Superintendent of Police thanked them for the gifts and the splendid turn-out they had effected. They had a reputation for smartness in drill and he trusted that in course of time they would also acquire a reputation for police work. The Wei-Hai-Wei men were becoming a very satisfactory section of the Force. They had done well and the contingent would become a permanent institution in the Hongkong Police Force. He had done the best he could do in according them all the privileges and facilities available. He congratulated Inspector D. W. Booker, who was responsible for the training of the men in Wei-Hai-Wei and also Sergeants Dick, Jossop, and Dickson, who had been concerned with the maintenance of their efficiency in Hongkong. He thanked also the chief native officers of the contingent, Inspector Chiang Gen-yu, Sergeant-Major Pi Leung-on and Crown Sergeant Chi Wan-piao.

After re-forming, the men received the order to dismiss.

We understand that whilst on leave Mr Wolfe will take the opportunity of studying the police organizations both of New York and London with a view to introducing possible reforms for the local Force.

## SADOU'S TRIAL.

### WHY HE WENT TO RUSSIA.

Paris, April 6.  
A sudden silence signalled the appearance of the Russian Ambassador M. Rakovsky giving evidence in the Sadoul trial.

M. Rakovsky referred to the "intelligent farsightedness of Sadoul," and declared that before and after the Treaty of Brest-Litovsk the Soviets wished to continue the war with Germany.

M. Albert Thomas, ex-Minister of Munitions, gave evidence that Sadoul was sent to Russia on account of the services he could render. If anyone was responsible, it was M. Thomas.

The further hearing was adjourned.—*Reuter*.

## IRISH ELECTIONS.

### SEATS LOST BY GOVERNMENT.

London, April 6.  
The North Irish elections have resulted in the return of 32 Unionists, 10 Nationalists, 4 Independent Unionists, 3 Labourites, 2 Republicans, and one Farmer candidate.

The Government has lost seven seats, and the Independents and Labourites have each gained three. The farmers have gained one seat, and the Nationalists have gained four from the Republicans.—*Reuter*.

## AT KOWLOON DOCKS.

### SOME INTERESTING ITEMS.

The Dutch steamer Oostkork, which went aground near Waglan on Saturday, is now in the No. 1 dry dock at Kowloon. An examination of the vessel shows that the lower part of the stern is badly ripped, and there are numerous holes under the fore peak tank. All the damage, however, is in front of the forward watertight bulkhead. There is a very deep dent in the centre underneath the fore peak tank. Altogether, eighteen plates will have to be renewed.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's s.s. Foonshing, which recently went ashore on the Lammoeks, left the Kowloon dry dock yesterday. Sixty-seven plates have been renewed and the vessel is now again in perfect running order.

The s.s. Lake Fielding, the sale of which to a local Chinese firm we reported yesterday, is now in the Kowloon No. 2 dry dock, undergoing a thorough overhaul and re-classification. She will pass for her Hongkong passenger licence again.

The s.s. Passat (Capt. Danielson) arrived last night from Canton and is now in Kowloon No. 3 dry dock, where she will undergo her yearly overhaul and smaller repairs.

## KEROSENE TAX.

### CANTON'S LATEST IMPOST.

(Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, April 4.  
The local Government has taken yet another step to raise revenue to meet the heavy expenditure. The latest tax is on kerosene oil sold in retail shops, on which it is reported that a levy of fifty cents a tin will be imposed.

The companies who control the trade have decided to withhold supplies to retailers as a protest against this unusual procedure. If the wholesale houses abide by their decision, there will soon be a shortage of oil in Canton, and those who depend upon kerosene for lighting their houses will suffer through the indiscreet actions of the Government.

## PRESENTATION.

### MR. A. MCKIRDY LEAVES FOR HOME.

Prior to Mr. A. McKirdy leaving by the s.s. Antenor to-day, he was waited on by Messrs O'Brien and McCubbin and presented with a beautiful illuminated address bearing the names of his colleagues at Taikoo Sugar Refinery.

Mr McKirdy replied in a letter addressed to the members of the staff of the Refinery, in which he said:—"I shall treasure this scroll as my dearest possession and feel proud in exhibiting it to my friends in the Homeland as evidence of your friendship towards me. On the eve of my departure from this Colony with which I have been associated for so many years my heart is indeed sad, but the good wishes and friendly sentiments expressed in so eloquent fashion by Dr. O'Brien have done much to soften the wrench of parting. I wish you all very good luck, health and prosperity during the remainder of your sojourn in Taikoo."

## RAILWAY LEASE.

### AN OBJECTION.

Richmond, Virginia, April 6.  
The minority shareholders in the Chesapeake-Ohio Railway Company are about to take new steps in the Virginia Courts to suspend the execution of the lease of the property to the Nickel Plate Company, on the ground that the terms of the lease are grossly unfair and inequitable, discriminatory and confiscatory.—*Reuter's American Service*.

## PEAK THEFTS.

### GOODS RECOVERED FROM PAWNSHOPS.

The police yesterday received a report from Mr. Allan Forsyth, of No. 103, The Peak, to the effect that on the 3rd instant a sum of \$11 was stolen from a dressing table.

The following day one of the servants disappeared, and on looking over his quarters four pawntickets were discovered issued at various dates. These tickets, it turned out, related to various articles stolen from the house, and a visit paid by the police to the shops concerned has resulted in the recovery of property valued at \$116.

## MR. EARNSHAW'S DEATH.

### ENQUIRY TO BE EXPEDITED.

In connection with the enquiry into the circumstances attending the death of the late Mr. R. Earnshaw, who lost his life as the result of a parachute jump from an aeroplane on Chinese New Year Day, Mr. E. W. Hamilton will make a final effort to conclude the enquiry without further delay.

Owing to one of the jurors having left the Colony, the remaining two will be discharged and a new jury empanelled.

Mr. H. W. Abbott has not yet returned from Manila and should his absence be prolonged, and if deemed necessary, the enquiry will be conducted without his evidence. The proceedings will be re-opened shortly and all available evidence taken.

## CANTON GOVERNMENT.

### THE SCRAMBLE FOR POWER.

Peking, April 6.  
Messages from Canton state that since Tang Chi-yao's assumption of the post of Vice-Generalissimo, the extremist element has been much perturbed.

The Moderates, who desire the autonomous federation of the provinces, as advocated by Tang Chi-yao, are taking advantage of the situation and are trying to overthrow the present Government of Kwangtung.

It is reported that the attitude of General Yang Chi-ming and General Liu Chen-huan is most doubtful. They may turn against the Government, in which case there will be important developments in Canton.—*Daily Bulletin*.

## LOCAL GOLF.

### CAPTAIN'S CUP.

In the Captain's Cup Competition, played at Fanling April 4th, Mr. L. W. Shewan qualified with 82-4-78.

Other scores were:—Mr. H. G. Hogarty, 92-10-82; Mr. M. M. Mass, 96-10-84.

Sixteen cards were taken out. No cards were taken out for the Optional Pool.

## U. S. COTTON TRADE.

### HOPES FOR THE FUTURE.

Washington, April 6.  
President Coolidge, addressing the National Cotton Manufacturers' Association, predicted an increase in business activity. He said he found in the present and future industrial situation justification for the American tariff policy. He promised the full assistance of the Government in fighting boll weevil and endorsed the proposal for co-operation among cotton-producing States.—*Reuter's American Service*.

## U. S. GRAND FLEET.

### PREPARING FOR PACIFIC MANOEUVRES.

San Francisco, April 6.  
The United States grand fleet of a hundred and seven warships of all kinds and classes, stretching



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in single file over twenty-five miles, and representing the largest concentration of naval power the Golden Gate has ever harboured, anchored to-day for its ten days' final preparation for the forthcoming war games in Hawaiian waters and a long voyage to Australasia, where many ports will be visited.

Admiral Coontz is the Commander-in-Chief of the fleet.—*Reuter's American Service*.

## RACIAL QUESTION.

### SOUTH AFRICA'S PROBLEM.

Cape Town, April 6.

On the resumption of the Mines Works Bill debate in the Assembly, Mr. Hertzog expressed his appreciation of Gen. Smuts' attitude, and said the time had not yet arrived to abolish the differentiation between the white and coloured workers, but they must be careful to see they gave no offence.

The Premier suggested that the question might be considered, in select committee, of granting certificates to persons in charge of dangerous work.

Sir Thomas Smartt, ex-Minister of Agriculture, dwelling on the effects of the Bill on Asiatic races, declared that Japan was one of the five Great Powers of the world, and could not possibly allow an indignity of the sort contemplated in the Bill to pass.—*Reuter*.

## LEAGUE'S HEALTH BUREAU.

### ALREADY AT WORK.

Genova, April 6.

The health section of the League of Nations has received the first message from its epidemic bureau at Singapore.

The message will be re-transmitted to health organisations all over the world, together with information in regard to epidemics in the Mediterranean and Black Sea, to enable the health authorities to take precautions.—*Reuter*.

## MOTOR CAR COMPETITION.

All coupons for our Motor Car Competition, for the week ended on Saturday last, must reach this office not later than noon on Wednesday. Competitors are particularly requested to comply with this rule.

## BIG LOAN CLAIM.

### PLAINTIFF SHOULD BE PROUD.

That Wong Chat had every reason to be proud of her charitable action, which proved of such great assistance to the defendant when an infant was the opinion expressed by Sir Henry Gollan, in the Supreme Court this morning, when it was announced by counsel that a settlement had been reached in the case in which Wong Chat claimed for the return of monies lent to Wong Chon-shi, since deceased, the guardian of Hau Sha-yau, the defendant.

When the case was heard yesterday Mr. Eldon Potter pointed out that the loaning of the money, \$31,598, was a purely charitable action, as Wong Chat stood to get her money back if the case, for continuation of which the money was lent, ended in Wong Chon-shi's favour, and to lose all if the case was lost. He added that the necessity for bringing an action to recover did not reflect great credit on the young man who was contesting the case, as he was enjoying the benefits of the \$35,000 which was awarded his estate as the result of his deceased guardian's action.

The settlement was in the following terms. Judgment for plaintiff in the sum of \$26,000 to include the claim before the court, the claim in Original Jurisdiction action No. 98 of 1925, the claim in Summary Jurisdiction action No. 629 and all other claims if any by plaintiff against Hau Sha-yau, or Ho Chon-shi, deceased, or Ho Wo-lan deceased, each party to pay its own costs.

Entering judgment accordingly, His Lordship said that he desired to express his pleasure that a settlement had been effected and said that he felt the case would have been a painful one for him to decide. So far as the plaintiff was concerned, he continued, he continued, she could, in his opinion, look back with great personal satisfaction on the part she had played and should be very proud of the charitable impulse which actuated her assistance to the defendant when an infant.

## TRADE UNIONISTS.

### AN ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONFERENCE.

London, April 6.

Behind closed doors, representatives of British and Russian Trade Unionists met in Eccleston Square to discuss ways and means of facilitating affiliation of the Russian Trade Unions to the Amsterdam International Federation of Trade Unions.

M. Tomskey, President of the All Russian Trade Union Council, made a statement drawing attention to the ever-increasing strength of organised capitalism, under which the workers were overworked, underpaid and prevented from realising their ideals of a better social system. He declared that Russian Trade Unionists could not accept the decision of the recent conference at Amsterdam (whereby the Russian Unions could only be admitted to an unconditional conference when they applied for affiliation to the International Federation of Trade Unions) and urged a free and unfettered international discussion.

The British representatives will reply to-morrow.—*Reuter*.

## RAIN AND HAIL.

### LIVES LOST IN FLORIDA.

Miami (Florida), April 6.  
A rain and hail storm has considerably damaged the east coast of Florida, especially the White Belt Dairy, near here, where three were killed and 23 injured owing to a minor tornado demolishing the buildings.—*Reuter's American Service*.

## MANILA TRAGEDY.

### SOLDIERS THREATEN LYNCHING.

Manila, April 6.

It is reported that 60 American soldiers were held in barracks for two hours on Sunday following threats to lynch Lieut. Thompson for shooting Miss Audrey Burleigh.

Thompson has not made any statements.—*Daily Bulletin*.

## BIRTH AND FUN.

### ANOTHER LEE WHITE SUCCESS.

Bright, snappy and full of pep was the Lee White Company's presentation of "Scandals," a modern revue, at the Theatre Royal last night. There was a large audience present, and many were the demonstrations of satisfaction as number after number was rattled off with amazing speed and verve. In this regard the evening was a regular whirlwind of fun and merriment.

Of course, Miss Lee White herself, together with her "peaches," were much in the picture. They first appeared in a humorous rehearsal number, with songs and chorus, in which other members of the Company took part, following which the audience was sent into screams of laughter when Gus McNaughton, the funny man, was seen in the role of a bull-fighter, doing battle with Priscilla, the most wonderful bull ever seen on a stage, we should imagine. The antics of this animal—a two-piece affair in which Archie Thompson and Syd Munro had a very lively internal interest—were too funny for words. "Some Day," an effective little sketch with a serious note, was cleverly presented by Lee White, Clay Smith and Bob Cory, and then came a striking co-ordinated dance by that clever pair, Mae Bird and Archie Thompson. Others in the first part which were especially noteworthy were "Four Men Out for a Walk," in which Gus McNaughton, Syd Munro, Archie Thompson, and Reg Dandy were much concerned over the contents of a cocktail shaker; and the very pretty song and scene, "Down Vauxhall Way," with Dorothy Grace as the dainty vocalist. Well-rendered songs by Fanny Bonstead and Reg. Dandy were also much appreciated.

The second part of the programme was even better than the first. In this, two cleverly-presented items stood out—"Tea in the Garden," by Betty Howard, Fanny Bonstead, Syd Munro and Gus McNaughton, the last named of whom convulsed the house with his funniest; and "The Ragtime Boxing Man," in which Archie Thompson and Gus McNaughton had one of the most ludicrous bouts of the most ludicrous bouts, imaginable. Of the other items, the Doll Dance by Mae Bird and Archie Thompson was wonderfully executed, the burlesque on the Russian situation was quite funny, whilst Ernest Softon's story, "Rough and Ready," was a big hit. Mention should also be made of Lee White and Clay Smith, in a characteristic turn, which was loudly applauded.

The whole programme was very smartly got through, whilst the dressing was first-class. To-night the Company puts on "Back Again," which was a record success at the Ambassadors Theatre in London.

## NO SUBSIDY.

### BUT CHEAPER WORK.

London, April 6.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. W. Windsor, Mr. A. M. Samuel stated that the result of enquiries with reference to the recent failure of British shipbuilders to compete with Dutch shipbuilders showed the latter at present received no subsidy.—*Reuter*.

## PACIFIC MAIL CO.

### EFFECT OF SHIPPING BOARD DECISION.

Much interest has been created locally by the announcement that the United States Shipping Board has, by a narrow majority, decided to accept the bid of Mr. Stanley Dollar and associates for the purchase of the five big President boats now operated by the Pacific Mail Company. As is announced elsewhere, the Pacific Mail Company's bid was higher than that of Mr. Dollar, but the latter's was put forward on a cash basis, whereas there were conditions attaching to the tender of the Pacific Mail Company.

Should the injunction which is being filed by the Pacific Mail Company, against the bid, fail, there would appear little other prospect than the elimination of that Company from the Pacific run. This would be greatly regretted on sentimental grounds, as the Company is the oldest American merchant marine organisation, having been founded as long ago as 1848. It was also the pioneer of the trans-Pacific service, having inaugurated a service between San Francisco and Hongkong in 1867. Naturally, under such circumstances, the Company has established the closest ties with Chinese business interests locally. In fact, several Chinese firms in Hongkong can claim to have done business with the Pacific Mail Company for at least three generations, and amongst a people who place high value on "chops," it is only natural that they would regret the disappearance of the Company's familiar flag from this port.

The Pacific Mail Company's first shipping service was between New York and San Francisco via the Straits of Magellan, whilst the first boats which the Company ran between "Frisco and Hongkong were the old paddle-wheel steamers Great Republic and Colorado. Later, for this service, they put on the Siberia and the Korea (now owned by the T. K. K. and known as the Siberia Maru and Korea Maru respectively); whilst in 1904 the Company ran the Mongolia, the Manchuria and the China, as well as the other two steamers named, but in 1915 all these boats were sold and the Company withdrew from the Pacific. However, the Company was reconstructed six months later, and the service recommenced with the familiar green-painted ship Ecuador, Venezuela and Colombia.

Since the war, the Company has operated five of the President steamers for the Shipping Board, and it is these boats which are now being sold. The final result of the injunction proceedings will be awaited with the keenest interest in all parts of the Far East.

## ARCTIC CONTINENT.

### AIRCRAFT FOR EXPLORATION.

Washington, April 6.  
President Coolidge has approved of the proposal of the Arctic explorer McMillan for exploration with the assistance of Government aircraft in the region between Alaska and the North Pole, in the hope of finding an Arctic continent long believed to exist thereabouts.

It is said to be the only remaining "blind spot" on the map in the north, comprising about a million square miles of unexplored territory.

The McMillan expedition is a private one, and will start about June 15th.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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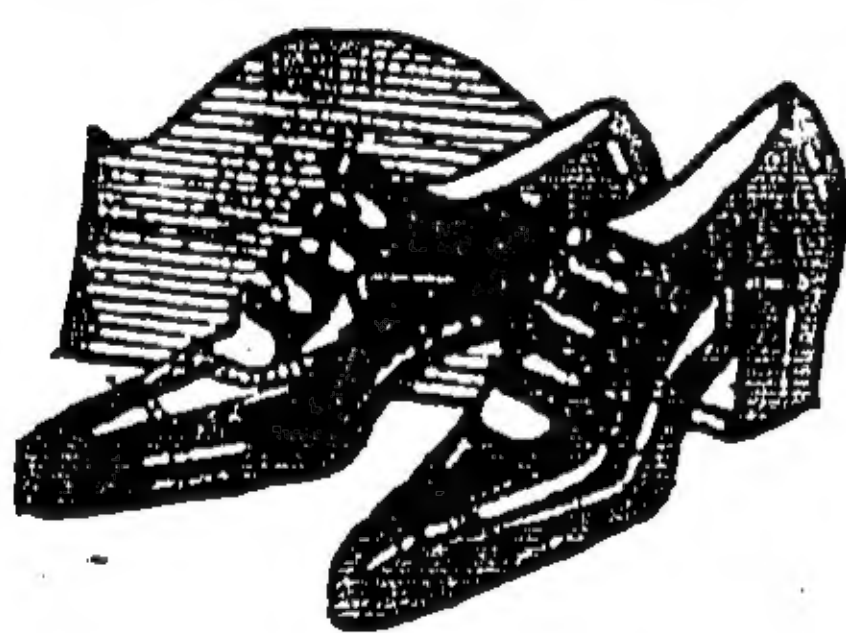
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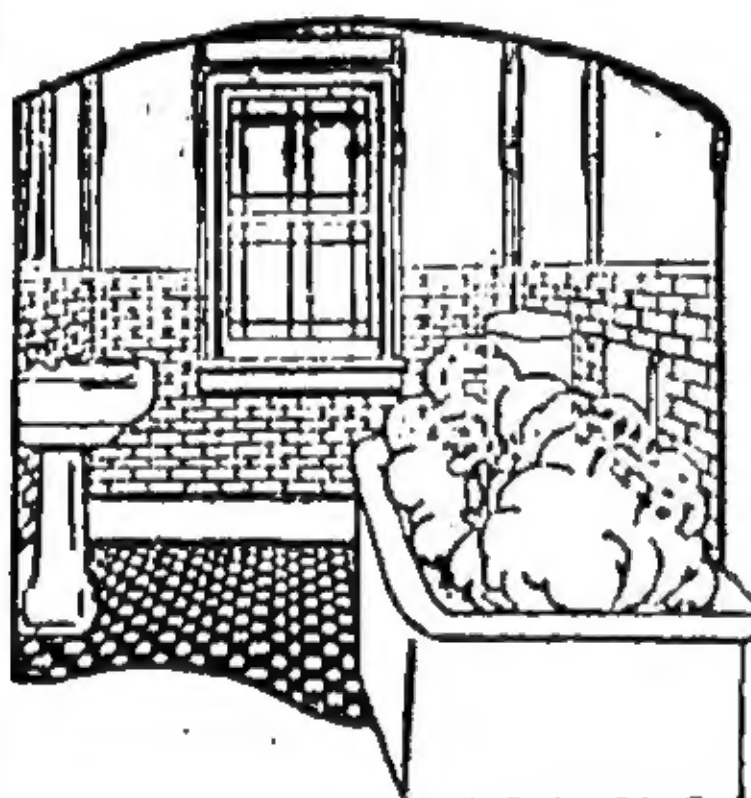
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## FRENCH FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Paris, April 6.  
According to *Le Matin*, M. Demozie intends to ask French citizens for a voluntary contribution of capital bearing interest at four p. c. The Finance Minister leaves them free to subscribe cash, money, or bonds, and leaves it to them to estimate the amount of their fortune, but if a voluntary contribution should prove insufficient then those who have not paid spontaneously will run the risk of a fiscal inquisition.—*Reuter*.

Ministerial deliberations over the week-end have assisted in the crystallisation of new financial measures, which will probably be tabled in the Chamber to-morrow. The *Matin* gives the gist of Demozie's proposals, indicating a compulsory loan substituted for capital levy. The public will be appealed to to make a voluntary return of individual fortunes but in the event of the failure of the voluntary plan the Government will take steps to enforce accurate returns. It is stated that the loan will bear interest at four per cent.—*Reuter*.

## ROYAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY AWARDS.

London, April 6.

At the Royal Geographical Society meeting to-day the President announced that H.M. the King had approved the award of Royal medals as follows: Founder's medal, General Bruce for his life-long geographical work in exploring the Himalayas, culminating in his leadership of the Everest expeditions.

Patron's medal: Mr. A. F. R. Wollaston, for explorations in Dutch New Guinea, Central Africa and many other parts of the world.

The Council awarded the Murchison Grant to Eric Teichman for travels in China and Tibet.

The Gill Memorial was awarded to Major Cheeseman for his journey in the deserts of Jafura and Jabrin.—*Reuter*.

## A POLITICAL CRISIS.

Paris, April 6.

M. Millerand's decisive return to the Senate at the first ballot, in the teeth of the greatest opposition of the Government coalition, is a significant political event.

*Ere Now*, the Government organ, has declared that this may not presage a catastrophe for the Government, but it is undoubtedly a slap in the face. On the contrary the Opposition newspapers hail the event as a final collapse. M. Herriot and M. Millerand when interviewed stated they intended to act and not to talk.—*Reuter*.

M. Millerand intimates that he will join the Republican Union group in the Senate, of which M. Poincare is also a member.—*Reuter*.

## FRANCE AND THE BOXER INDEMNITY.

Paris, April 6.

With reference to the report that the Franco-Chinese agreement with regard to the French share of the Boxer Indemnity is to be signed on April 14 at the Quai d'Orsay, it is stated that negotiations began last Autumn in Peking have taken a most favourable turn, which may well lead to a conclusion of the agreement before the end of the month. But any announcement of signatures on a definite date is premature and in any event the signing of the agreement will doubtless occur in Peking and not in Paris.—*Reuter*.

## THE CHINA STATION.

London, April 6.

Rear-Admiral David Anderson has been appointed Commander-in-Chief of China station, temporarily, in succession to Sir Allan F. Everett. Rear-Admiral J. E. Cameron succeeds Admiral Anderson on the Yangtze.—*Reuter*.

## GERMAN PRESIDENCY.

Berlin, April 6.

Hindenburg has declined to be a candidate for the Presidency and Doctor Jarres is once again a candidate for the Nationalist combine. His nomination is expected shortly.—*Reuter*.

## PRINCE AT SIERRA LEONE.

Freetown, April 6.

H.M.S. Repulse has arrived at Sierra Leone in glorious weather. The Prince of Wales had a most enthusiastic reception on landing, with the Governor and crowds of spectators cheering tremendously and the guns of the battery booming.—*Reuter*.

## BELGIAN POLITICS.

Brussels, April 6.

The outstanding feature of the elections hitherto is the Socialist gains all over the country. The Catholics also advanced. The Liberals are apparently the principal sufferers in both cases. Definite results are not yet available.—*Reuter*.

## COMMISSIONER IN PALESTINE.

London, April 6.

The *Daily Telegraph's* diplomatic correspondent says that Sir Matthew Nathan is being mentioned in some quarters as the possible successor to Sir Herbert Samuel, who is unlikely to seek renewal of his office in Palestine, which expires shortly.—*Reuter*.



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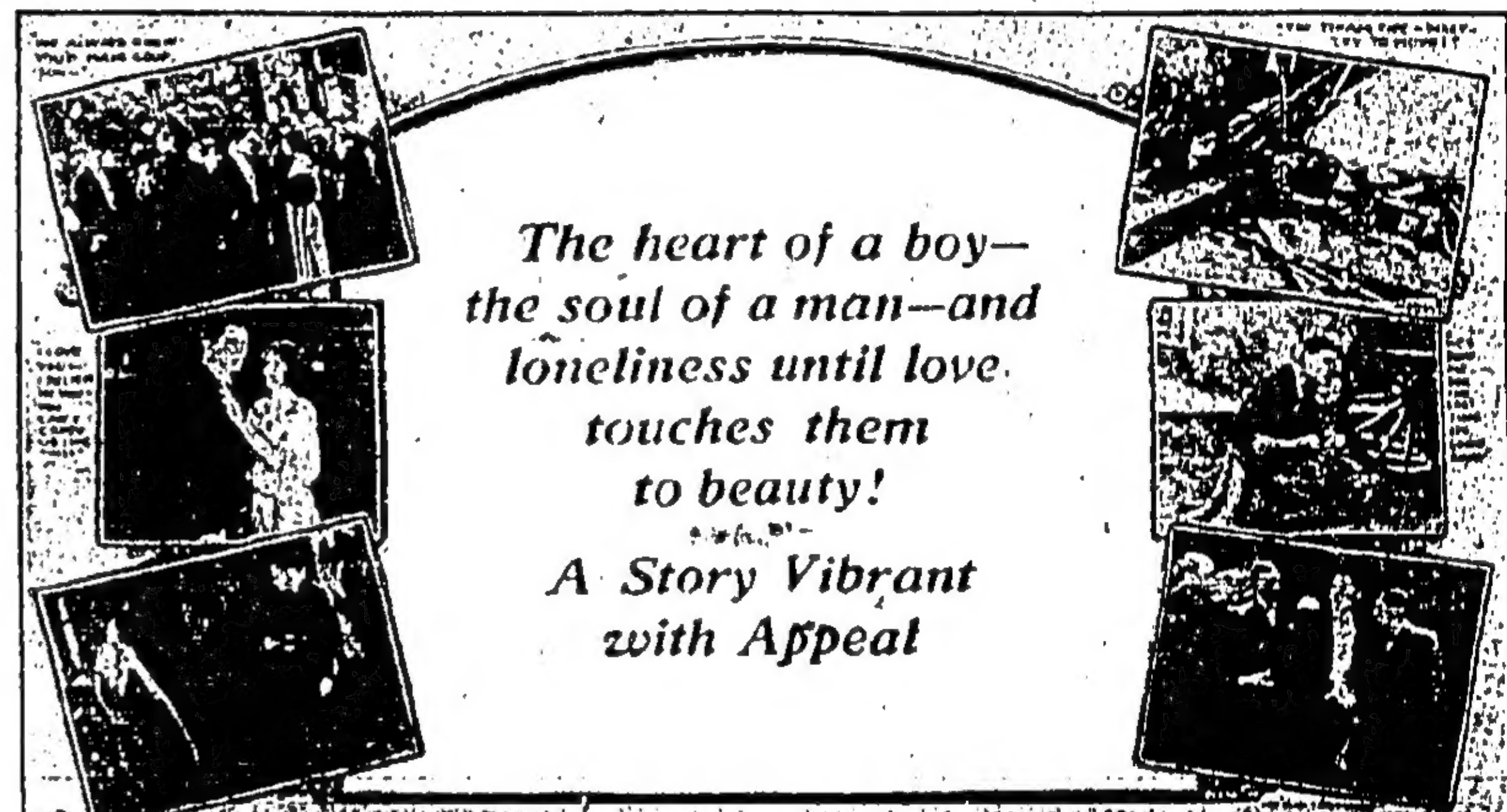
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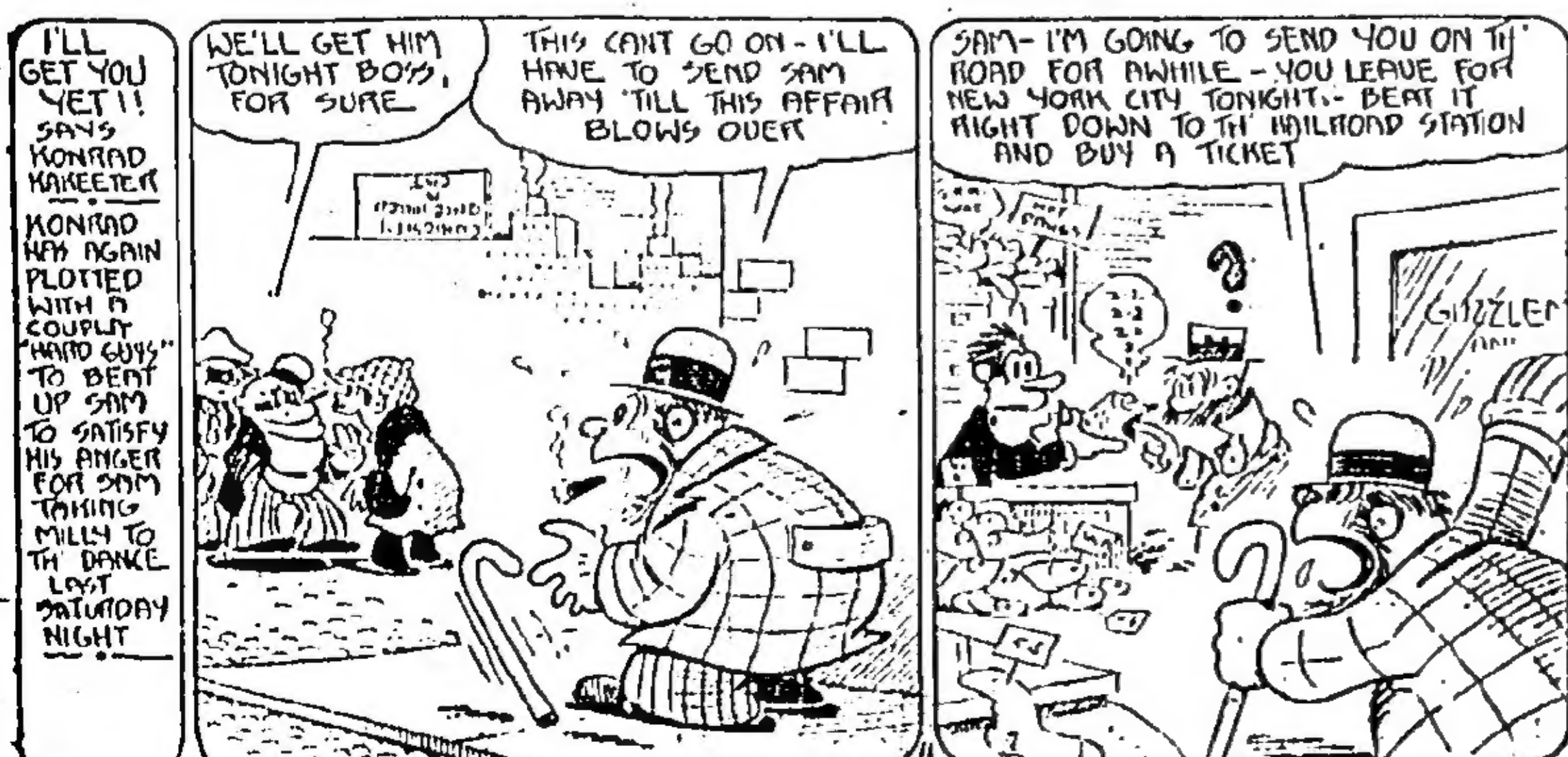
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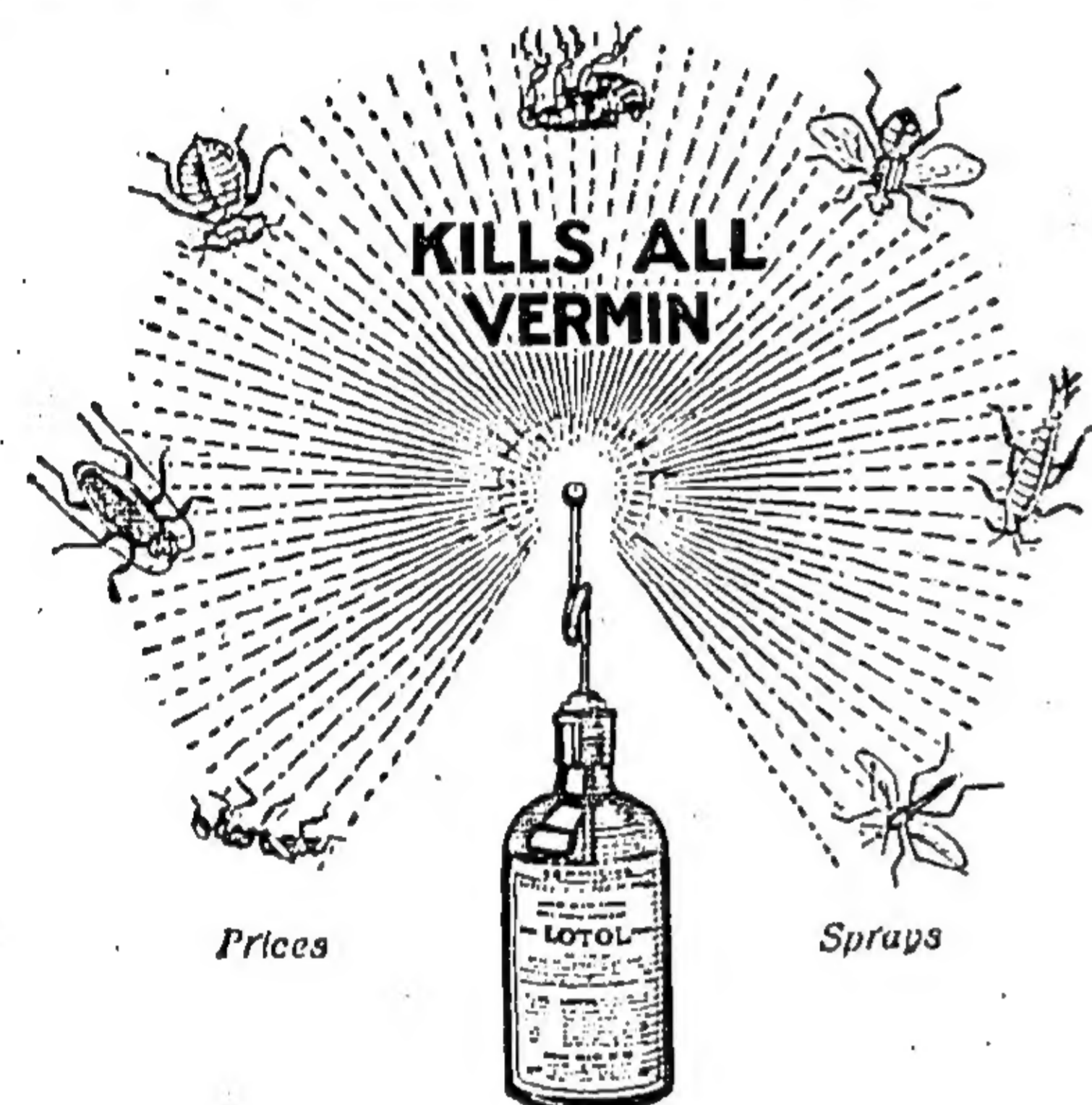
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### ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

#### THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird presided over the annual general meeting of the Society of St. George, held in the Chamber of Commerce room, City Hall, last evening. He was supported by the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., Mr. R. Hancock, Mr. W. L. Shenton, Mr. W. A. Dowley, Mr. H. P. Winslow, Mr. W. J. Eldridge, Mr. L. S. Greenhill (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. D. B. Pent (Hon. Treasurer).

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting, The Chairman said: Gentlemen. The Report and Accounts for 1924 having been in your hands for several days, I will, with your permission, take them as read.

As regards the General Account, I do not think there is anything calling for special explanation. Our charitable gifts amounted to \$1,114.22 as compared with \$1,034.89 in 1923. The balance carried forward is \$6,398.17 as against \$6,660.75, a difference of \$262.58. The sum of \$100 included in the sum already mentioned under donations, was given to the Garrison Schools for the purchase of pictures, books, &c., of a patriotic nature.

St. George's Day was observed as usual by an interchange of greetings between fraternal Societies and a luncheon held at the Hongkong Hotel. As mentioned by your President at the last annual meeting, there was a feeling that a more marked observance of the day should be made, and the luncheon was the outcome. The time available last year was very short in which to make arrangements, and as we have more time this year possibly more may be done. I shall be glad to hear presently what members think, so that the incoming Committee may be guided by your wishes.

During the year 66 new members joined the Society, but it is with sincere regret that I have to record the death of several of our members since the last general meeting. Their names are:—Mr. A. R. Lowe, Comdr. C. W. Beckwith, Mr. H. A. Cartwright, Capt. F. J. Wheeler, Mr. C. Dickens and Mr. R. Earnshaw, and we extend our deepest sympathy to their relatives.

#### The Annual Ball.

The annual ball held on the 6th January was a great success, and you will notice that a small profit of \$174.91 resulted. (Applause). This sum has been used to wipe off part of the deficit from the two previous years. We have thought it only fit to make an innovation in the statement before you, and you will find the cost of the 1925 Ball stated separately, the items being given under main headings.

In previous years this has not been done, and I fear it has in consequence been somewhat misleading. I have much pleasure in telling you that all deficits have been wiped off, and we now stand with a clean slate as regards past Ball accounts. (Applause).

It was a source of regret to all of us that owing to ill health our Vice-President had to leave for home just before the Ball; we hope to see him back amongst us renewed in health before our next annual gathering. (Applause).

#### Thanks.

Mr. H. E. Hollands acted again as Hon. Secretary for the Ball, and we are greatly indebted to him for the hard work he put in.

Our thanks are also due to Mr. R. A. Nicholson, for the splendid display of roses on the supper table, and I should like to take this opportunity of thanking again the Chairmen and members of the various Sub-Committees who worked so hard on our behalf to make the Ball a success.

The annual golf match between the St. Andrew's Society and ourselves again resulted in a win for us. (Applause).

Our thanks are also due to Mr. L. S. Greenhill, our Hon. Secretary, and Mr. D. B. Pent, our Hon. Treasurer. Both these gentlemen have done yeoman service for the Society, and I am glad to say both of them are willing to serve us again and I have no doubt that you will re-elect them.

We have received a letter from the Hon. Secretary of the parent Society in London, asking us to help the St. Paul's Restoration Fund by sending a subscription; this is a matter that the incoming Committee will doubtless deal with.

That is all I have to say, Gentlemen, except that I thank you most cordially for the honour you

### A WAGES CLAIM.

#### JUDGMENT FOR SHIP'S CREW.

In an action tried last Saturday before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, in which the master, engineer, pilot and members of the crew of the s.s. Lee Loong claimed wages, judgment was given for the plaintiffs.

The action was an ex parte one and the claim amounted to \$3,837. The vessel has been lying idle in the harbour since December last.

Mr. H. S. Fitzroy (instructed by Messrs. Leo D'Almada and Nephew) appeared for the plaintiffs. He stated that the master had not been paid since last September, the engineer since October and the other members of the crew from dates round about that time. They had been living on board all the time. The master had interviewed the Hongkong agents, the Hung Hing S.S. Co., at their office in Des Voeux Road, and had only been told that they would all be paid in due course.

did not during my absence last year in electing me President of the Society. (Applause).

The Chairman then proposed the adoption of the Report and Accounts, the motion being seconded by Mr. W. C. Shiner and unanimously carried.

#### The New President.

Proposing the election of Dr. Montague Harston as President for the ensuing year, the Chairman mentioned that Dr. Harston had always taken a great interest in the Society and during his (the Chairman's) absence last year acted on his behalf.

Mr. K. Hancock, seconding, said Dr. Harston was a very old member of St. George's Society and a very enthusiastic member.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

For the position of Vice President, the name of Mr. W. A. Dowley was submitted by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Shenton and unanimously carried. Replying Mr. Dowley expressed appreciation of the honour done him and promised to do all he could to further the interests of the Society.

Mr. L. S. Greenhill and Mr. D. B. Pent were re-elected Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer respectively, and thanked for their past services.

The following were elected to serve on the Committee: Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. S. Baker, Lt. Colonel L. G. Bird, Mr. P. S. Cassidy, Mr. E. Luck, Mr. W. J. Eldridge, Mr. H. P. Winslow, Mr. H. E. Hollands, Mr. E. R. C. Hornell, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Mr. J. H. Ramsay and Mr. W. C. Shiner.

#### St. George's Day.

The meeting next proceeded to consider the question of celebrating St. George's day. The Chairman mentioned that it had been suggested that the Society should lay a wreath on the Cenotaph, and if it was decided to do so, he hoped as many members of the Society as possible would be present. It was also proposed to hold aiffin on St. George's day, and another suggestion was the arranging of a concert in the evening. That would be a matter for the incoming Committee to deal with.

On the proposal of Mr. Alabaster, seconded by Mr. Eldridge it was decided to hold aiffin and no concert this year, the suggestion being made that in future years the Committee should make the necessary arrangements beforehand, it being felt that there was not sufficient time this year to do so.

On the proposition of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, it was decided to again vote \$100 to the Garrison School to be given as sports prizes.

#### Cathedral Service.

A letter was read from the Rev. T. B. Powell saying that there was to be a celebration of the Holy Communion at the Cathedral on St. George's day and evensong at 5.45. If the Society desired he would be willing to extend the scope of the evening service.

Mr. H. Birkett: I suggest that the Committee might attend.

The Chairman: Will you join the Committee, Mr. Birkett? I think we should thank the Rev. Powell for his letter and say the Society is not desirous that the scope of the evening service be extended.

At the instance of Mr. Eldridge it was decided that a notice should be inserted in the Press inviting members of the Society to attend on the occasion of the laying of the wreath on the Cenotaph on St. George's day.

### WAR IN THE NORTH.

#### HONAN TROOPS ATTACK SHENKIU.

Peking, April 6.—The China Inland Mission headquarters in S'ungai have wired to Peking, stating that Honan Government troops are attacking Shenkiu, where a Mr. Tomkinson and his wife, missionaries, are stationed. Mr. Tomkinson says their lives will be immediately forfeited by the resisting forces if the city falls. A later wire states that the C.I.M. Assistant Superintendent, Mr. Ford, has reached Shenkiu, but the danger is intensified. The British Legation has made representations to the Foreign Office concerning the matter and the Foreign Office has wired to the Honan Military Governor, urging him to take all possible steps for the protection of Mr. Tomkinson and other foreign lives and property in that district.—Reuter.

### THE STUDENTS' UNION.

#### FOUR RINGLEADERS ARRESTED.

Peking, April 6.—Four more ringleaders of the Students' Union at Foochow were arrested on Saturday by detectives, who were sent to protect the local Y.M.C.A. and who caught the students in the act of threatening the Chinese principal of the Y.M.C.A. School. This action, following on the arrest of two of the chief agitators a few days ago, has made a most favorable impression among the foreigners of Foochow, as indicating a determination on the part of the local authorities to put an end to trouble.—Reuter.

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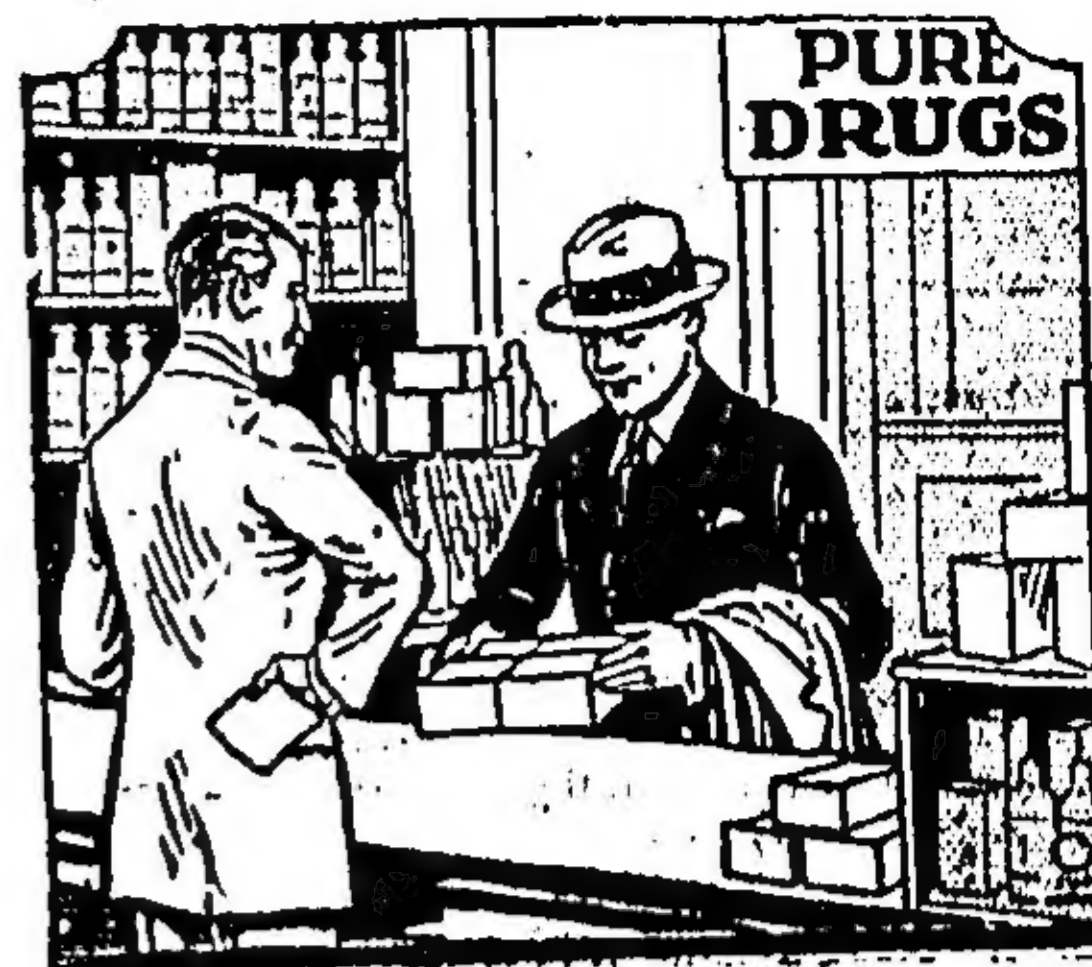
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IN accordance with ordinance No. 5 of 1912 the exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on FRIDAY, SATURDAY and MONDAY, the 10th, 11th and 13th instant.

Hongkong, 6th April 1925.

## NOTIFICATION.

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R. H. R. WADE,  
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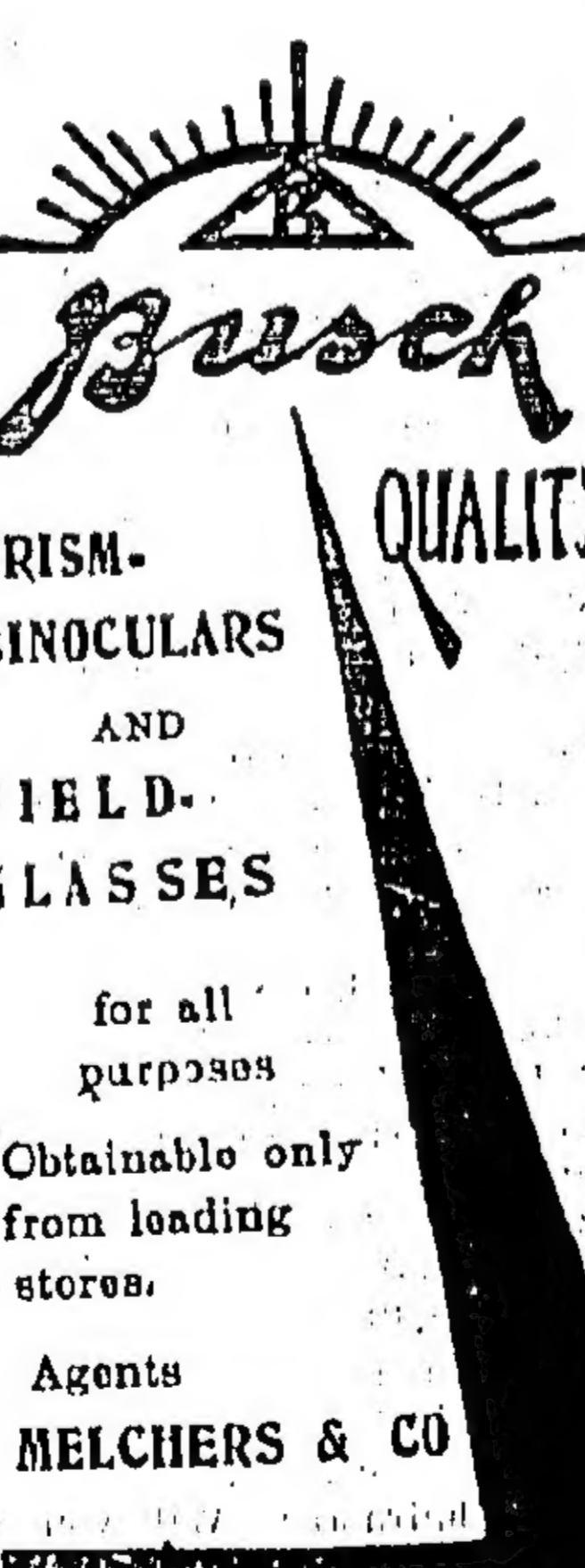
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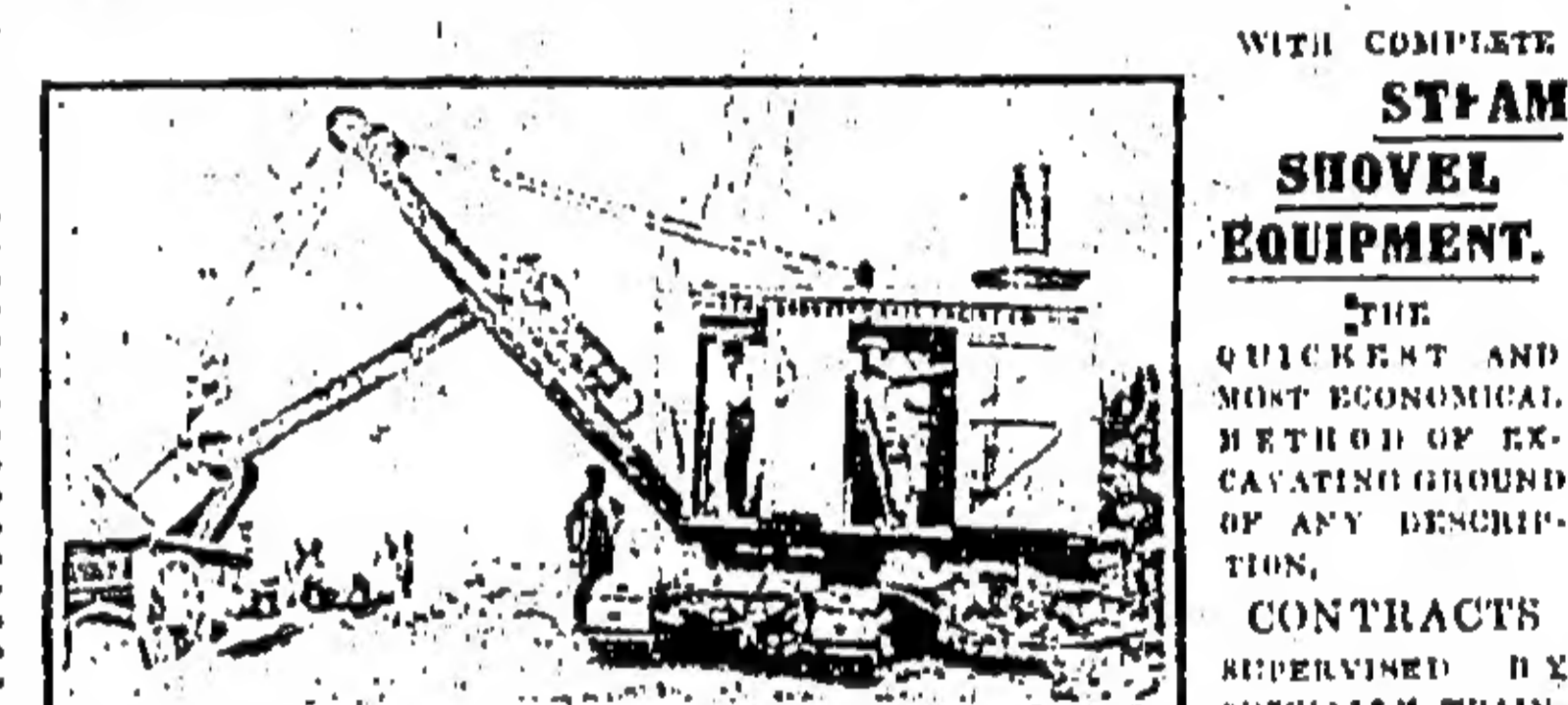
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downs, where it will be examined

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All claims must be presented

within thirty days of the

steamer's arrival here, after

which they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be recognized

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ed packages are to be left in the

godowns, where they will be

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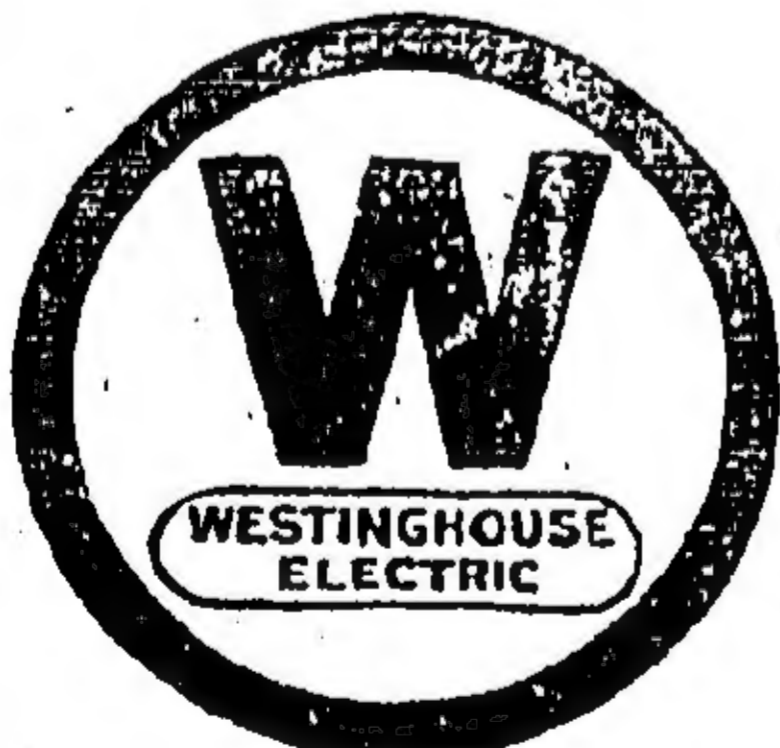
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## FALSE ALARM.

### EARLY MORNING CALL FOR BRIGADE.

A telephone call was received by the Central Fire Station from a private source early yesterday morning, to attend a fire which, it was reported, had broken out at a shop in Des Vaux Road West.

Appliances were immediately despatched, but on arrival it was found that the blaze was a quantity of rubbish which was being burnt on the third floor verandah. This was extinguished without the use of fire equipment and the Brigade returned to the station within ten minutes of receiving the call.

## STANDARD OIL STAFF.

### RETIREMENT OF SOCONY'S AMOY MANAGER.

There was an interesting ceremony at the Hongkong Hotel yesterday, when Mr. Herbert John Morse, of the Standard Oil Company, was presented with a platinum watch and chain at aiffin given in his honour by the local staff of the Socony organization.

Mr. Morse has been in the service of the Standard Oil Co. for 33 years, 16 of which have been spent in China, latterly as the manager of the Amoy branch.

The presentation was made by Mr. D. H. Cameron, the General Manager of the Hongkong branch, who in brief and felicitous speech commented on the excellent work and consistent geniality of their guest. He voiced the good wishes of all Mr. Morse's friends in Hongkong, and particularly of those who are members of the Standard Oil Co. staff here, for a long, happy and healthy retirement.

In reply, Mr. Morse said that in spite of the attractions of retirement he would look always to the years he had spent in China as the happiest of his career. He thanked all present for the splendid gift, which, he said, would be an unfailing reminder of them and of the period he had worked with them, always smoothly and with co-operation at its highest.

Mr. and Mrs. Morse are leaving to-day by the Hugo Stinnes liner Albert Voegler for Naples, from which point they will proceed on a protracted tour through Europe, and will finally settle in California.

## SMALLPOX IN BANGKOK.

### THE KWEIYANG IN QUARANTINE.

The S.S. Kweiyang, which arrived in Bangkok from Hoihow on 23rd March, has been placed in quarantine, according to the Bangkok Times. On her arrival at Paknam she was examined and three cases of smallpox were reported. There were 1,549 deck passengers on board, and after these had been vaccinated the vessel was allowed to go up to Bangkok Point, where she will stay in quarantine. The vessel was inspected every day, and later another case was reported and taken away to the Infectious Diseases Hospital on the other side of the river. There were three fully developed cases and two convalescents on board the Kweiyang when she arrived.

The length of the detention of the vessel depends upon the number of cases, but it will not be less than twelve days, during which time the ship is under guard, to see that no unauthorized persons go on board and none of the deck passengers leave ship.

Life on board a stationary vessel anchored in the river in these days may not be the pleasantest way of passing the time, but the old quarantine station cannot be used, owing to the lack of a water supply and the condition of the buildings, and it is said that being at sea, would be worse than lying in the river.

Captain Morse of the Kaying, from Swatow, reported one case of smallpox at Paknam among his 400 deck passengers, and was granted pratique, after his vessel was fumigated.

Since the beginning of the year there have been 30 cases of smallpox reported in Bangkok and 25 deaths.

## ALLEGATION AGAINST CHINESE.

### MASQUERADING AS POLICE OFFICER.

A Chinese appeared before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, on charges of unlawfully obtaining a motor car from the Dragon Motor Car Company by falsely representing himself as a police officer, and of being an impostor. The amount involved in respect of the first charge was \$54.

A clerk of the Dragon Motor Car Company stated that on April 4 he received a telephone message purporting to have come from the Aberdeen Police Station. The message ran as follows: "I am a fook at the Aberdeen Police Station. I want a car for police officers at once." A car was accordingly sent to Aberdeen.

What happened after the despatch of the car was related by the chauffeur. He said he arrived at Aberdeen at 11.45 a.m. The defendant stopped him at the Kai Fong Motor Bus Company, and after asking if the car had been sent by the Dragon Motor Car Company, said he was the man who ordered it. The defendant got into the car and told the driver to drive to the Police Station. On the way they picked up four men and the whole party motored round the island. On returning to Hongkong the defendant told the driver that he knew there were 50 tons of opium at Chai Wan Gap, Stanley, and that he wanted to go to 13 Tai Wong Street to get a revolver. After his four companions had alighted from the car the defendant was taken to the address in question. He was away for some time and returned with four women and a girl. With this party the defendant set out for Aberdeen again. From Aberdeen the car proceeded to Chai Wan Gap and it was late in the evening that they returned to town.

The evidence adduced to support the second charge was that the defendant told several people at Chai Wan Gap that he was a police officer. He went into a temple,

## KIDNAPPER SENTENCED.

### SIX MONTHS HARD LABOUR.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Wong Shun, an unemployed Chinese, was charged with kidnapping a young Chinese girl, aged 15 years, during December last.

The story of the prosecution as told by the witnesses was that the girl was invited by a Chinese woman, Hi Mui, to work at Mongkok, but was enticed to the Yau-mat railway station, where they met the defendant. After tickets had been purchased the three boarded a train and went to Taipei. The woman excused herself from the party and the defendant took the girl to the residence of an old man who bought her from the defendant for the sum of \$147. The money was acknowledged by the defendant's signing a receipt. The day before the restoration of the girl to her parents, the girl's mother was invited to the house to make the necessary arrangements for the girl's intended marriage to the old man's son. On returning to Hongkong the presence of the girl was reported to the police, with the result that the defendant was arrested at the Cement Works on March 31.

A report of the girl's disappearance was first made to the police on December 24.

The woman who took the girl from the house and another man who was said to have met the party at the Taipei Railway Station were stated to have absconded.

His Worship imposed sentence of six months' imprisonment with hard labour.

pattered round the premises and finally left with a live crab belonging to the caretaker. He also stopped a man on the roadway and searched a bag which the latter was carrying.

The Magistrate dismissed the second charge and remanded the defendant on the other count, bail being fixed at \$500.

## HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

### ANNUAL RIFLE MEETING.

The following details have been issued by the Headquarters of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps concerning the forthcoming annual Rifle Meeting of the Corps, which will be held at the Kowloon City Rifle Range (A) on April 11, 12, and 13.

The following competitions will be held on the 11th.—Jar Competition, Corps Championship, Tyro Competition, Attack Competition, Revolver Competition (open, and for members of the Corps).

The following will be held on the 12th.—Blake Shield, Francis Cup, Munstrey Reserve Challenge Cup, Tilo Competition, Machine and snail's Gun, Revolver Competition (open and for members of the Corps).

The following will be held on the 13th.—All Corners Competition, Revolver Competition (open, and for members of the Corps).

The Tyro Competition is open to members of the Corps who have not scored over 65 in Part I of the Munstrey Course this season.

Competitors can reach the range by ricksha from Kowloon City Police Station. Motor buses run from Star Ferry to Kowloon City.

Tiffins will be provided on the range, but must be paid for in cash on the spot. In order to give adequate warning to the competitors, all those who want tiffins must warn the Hon. Secretary.

## BILLIARDS.

### THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

P. Yvanovich, a former champion, met and defeated Lt-Colonel F. B. Montague Bates in the third round of the Billiards Championship of the Colony at the Victoria Recreation Club last night. Yvanovich made 500 to the Colonel's 650. Both players were in good form, and Yvanovich had the honour of making the highest break in the tournament so far. His chief contributions were 75, 49 (twice), 41, 37, 35 and 33, whilst Lt-Colonel Bates made breaks of 39, 29, 25, 24, 23 and 20 (three times).

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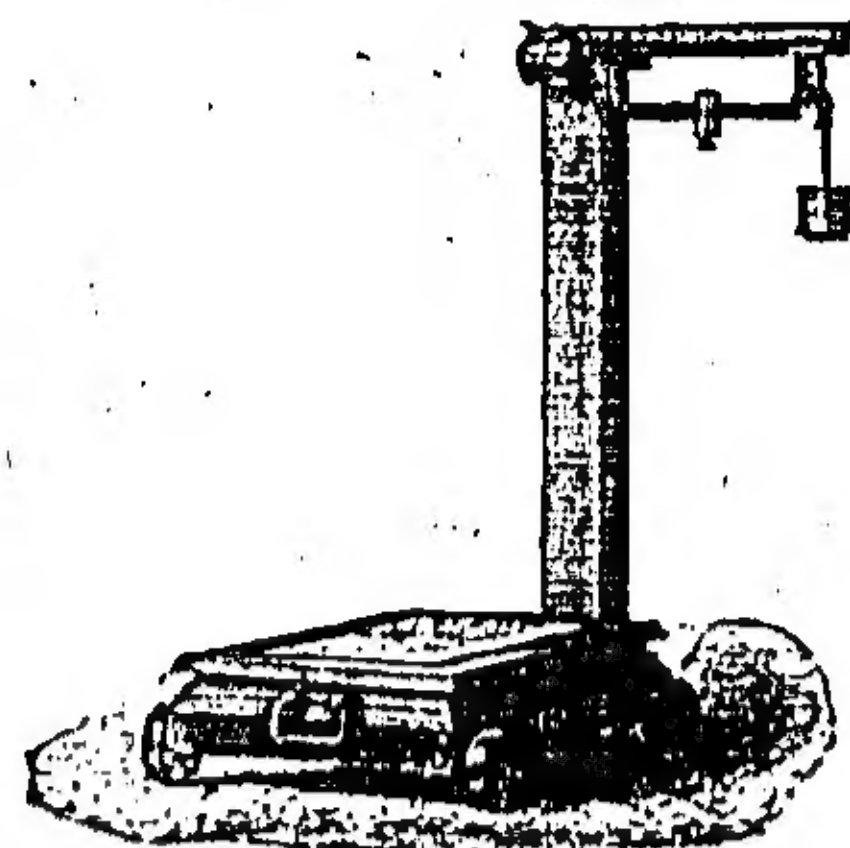
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Mr. and Mrs. W. Hardwick wish to thank all friends for their expressions of sympathy and condolence and for the floral tributes received during their recent sad bereavement.

### The Telegraph.

HONGKONG, 7th April, 1925.

### FOR THE CHILDREN.

Kowloon residents will be glad to see that the attention of the authorities is again being called to the inadequate character of the children's playground on the peninsula. This is a matter which has often been dealt with by the Kowloon Residents Association, and it is mainly due to the efforts of that body that the existing facilities were provided. All who know the size and location of this playground must agree that it is altogether inadequate for the purpose for which it is intended. It is, admittedly, better than none at all, but is far too restricted in shape and dimensions to fulfil anything like the proper functions of a playground. Various suggestions have from time to time been put forward for the provision of a bigger area. King's Park is too far distant to render feasible the inclusion of a children's playground in that area when it is finally fixed up for recreation purposes, whilst the same argument applies to the big area of land which is eventually to be set aside for sport near Kowloon City. A good spot would be on the big piece of vacant land between Salisbury Road and Signal Hill, adjacent to the site which is being set aside for the new Sailors' Home. This locality is quite central, and we should imagine that the Government could well allocate sufficient land there for such a purpose.

This matter is, however, only part of the larger question of adequate playing spaces for the thousands of children of this Colony, Chinese included. The trouble is that there are now so few areas, especially on the island, available for such purposes. On the mainland, however, steps might be taken to reserve land near spots which are likely to become more thickly populated as time goes on. The care of the physical well-being of the youth of the Colony is a

duty which devolves upon the Government to a very large extent, for the greater the facilities for healthy recreation, the less likely are growing lads to drift into mischief. From the standpoint of the health of the community, also, the question is one of much importance. Thousands of Chinese children now live in squalid surroundings, with little or no opportunity of indulging in the fun and frolic of outdoor games. The wants of these little ones deserve attention, and if adequate provisions were made for them to enjoy such pastimes we have no doubt that a material improvement in their physical condition—and a brightening of their mental outlook, also—would result. We commend the whole problem both to the authorities and to the Colony's public benefactors.

### The Prince.

The Prince of Wales is on another triumphal tour. It is a foregone conclusion that any tour on which he goes is sure to be a triumphal progress. For those who have not previously seen the Prince, there is first of all the ordinary feeling of patriotism which engenders a certain amount of enthusiasm, and may be a great deal of glamour that surrounds the idea of seeing one of Royal birth and the heir to the Throne; but when His Royal Highness actually appears to view he proves to be merely a cheery young man, with a winning smile, and a "way" about him that immediately captures the enthusiasm of those even who might have imagined that too much was being made of the affair, and his welcome invariably becomes unanimous in its manifestation, and his visit, wherever it be, a triumph. It is this great knack of making friends everywhere that has given the Prince of Wales the place of the Empire's Ambassador. His present tour in Africa is proving as popular as any other, and later he is to visit South America. Presently, he will have been in all parts of the world, and his friends will number millions. The effects of these tours cannot be estimated in any known means of calculation. The cementing together of different sections of the Imperial confederation is one result; the development of friendliness with Latin America, one of the coming places in the world's economic destiny, will be another. Some day the Prince will probably be our King, and he will easily be the most travelled monarch that history has ever known. To the British Empire that will be a wonderful asset in itself.

### Geographical Awards.

The mention of awards by the Royal Geographical Society recalls the encouragement, and recognition, given by this institution to explorers in all parts of the globe. The days of "the unknown" are passing, but there is yet a great deal to be done, and much to be discovered in certain territories. As an instance, we can take the case of Mount Everest, still to be conquered, and also Tibet, where recent botanical and other expeditions have gained much new information. In looking back through geographical history, that is through the past century or so, if we take accuracy into account, we find the tale of constant hardship, facing "of danger, and premature death from disease in many cases. Yet it is the pioneer spirit that has served the Empire in such good stead, and given a niche in the temple of Fame to so many of our race. The distribution of recognitions by the Royal Geographical Society might be taken very much as a matter of course, and a mere F. R. G. S., nowadays, might mean little to the average person, but at the back of it all stands the spirit which has sent men wandering all over the face of mother earth, either to glorious failure or imperishable achievement.

### MALABAR HILL AFFAIR.

ACCUSED SENT TO SESSIONS.

Bombay, April 6. All nine of the accused in the Bawla murder case at Malabar Hill have been committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions.

### DAY BY DAY.

NO HEALTHY HUMAN SOUL WOULD CHOOSE IN THE LAST RESORT TO BE DECEIVED WITH A PLEASURABLE FALSHOOD RATHER THAN TO KNOW A BITTER TRUTH.—E. H. Giffins.

Seven boatpeople were fined \$5 each at the Marine Court this morning for mooring inshore without permission.

The Admiral Oriental liner President Jackson will sail for Manila at 10 p.m. to-night instead of at 5 p.m. as originally scheduled.

A waterlogged junk, anchored and breaking up, was passed by the Shantung in Latitude 22.29 N. Longitude 115.22 E. At present it constitutes a danger to navigation.

The silk shipped per s.s. President Jefferson, which sailed from this port at 5 p.m. on March 10th, arrived New York at 5 p.m. on April 2nd, having been 23 calendar days in transit.

Nawab Khan, a clerk in the Post Office, has reported to the police that a cousin of his, by the name of Gulam Hassan, aged 16, and dressed in European clothing, has been missing since the 4th instant.

"The Vision of the Spirit" will be the subject of this week's public lecture of the Hongkong Lodge of the Theosophical Society, 16, Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday April 8th at 5.45 p.m. The Public are invited.—Adm.

A concert is to be given in the Union Church Hall to-night by the Hongkong Male Voice Choir, assisted by Mrs. Mathieson, Mrs. Collett and Mrs. Bewes-Smith. It is in aid of the Hongkong and New Territories Evangelisation Society.

The master of the Ho Sang reports the death of two deck passengers a male and a female. The man died of consumption at Singapore and was there buried; the woman's death which occurred during the voyage to Hongkong was due to heart failure.

Two dogs were taken to Kennedy Town for observation yesterday. One of them had bitten a coolie in the employ of the Dairy Farm, whilst the other was found in the street by Lance Sergeant Russell in a condition strongly indicative of rabies.

Chan Kwai-fong, an unemployed man, yesterday reported to the police that he was stopped yesterday, by a number of men at Staunton Street and robbed of jewellery to the value of \$150. Three of the men and a woman have been arrested, it is alleged, with a part of the stolen property in their keeping.

A musician of the Hongkong Hotel, named Bernardo Guerra, was fined \$3 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, on a charge of riding a bicycle in a dangerous manner in Nathan Road yesterday morning. It was stated that the defendant stood up on the cycle, which swayed from one side of the road to the other in a dangerous way.

There is a very interesting case due to come on to-day, April 7th, in the Serebman (Malay States) Supreme Court, the Judge, Mr. Justice McCabe Reay, suing the president of the Sungei Ujong Club, Mr. A. Brandon, and the committee, Messrs. G. C. Whitelaw, R. Hodgson, R. W. Morris, R. C. Sherar and W. G. Howse, for damages, costs of the suit, and such further relief as the Court may direct. The facts of the case are that plaintiff alleges that on the 20th of November 1924, the defendants wrongfully caused his name to be published in the club as a defaulter for the sum of \$78.53 meaning thereby, that plaintiff was indebted to the club in that amount.

### HOME FOOTBALL.

#### LATEST RESULT.

London, April 6. In the first division of the English "soccer" League, Sheffield United beat Burnley by 4 to nil.

### FRANCE'S FINANCES.

#### CAPITAL LEVY BEING CONSIDERED.

Paris, April 6. M. DeMonzie has submitted to the Cabinet the Bills with which he proposes to improve the financial situation of the State treasury. The first authorises the Banque de France to issue four milliards of new banknotes. This is an increase to forty-five milliards of the limit fixed for the issue of banknotes, which are at present forty-one milliards, and will be met by an exceptional voluntary contribution from capital, the amount of which is fixed in principle at ten per cent. This contribution will be productive of interest at four per cent, and all treasury bills will be accepted for payment at the current market rate, with a slight bonus. The product of the exceptional contribution will be applied to redemption of debt.

M. DeMonzie will only contemplate a levy on capital as a last resort. In the event of non-acceptance of the foregoing proposals, M. DeMonzie has asked for a debate in the Chamber tomorrow, when the adoption will be made a question of confidence in the Government.—Reuter.

Paris, April 6. The Cabinet discussed M. DeMonzie's proposals for two hours this morning, and has adjourned until six this evening. It meets again to-morrow morning.

This delay in reaching a decision is attributed to M. Herriot's desire to confer with the Socialist leaders, as the idea of a voluntary capital contribution is opposed to the Socialist idea of a compulsory levy.

M. Millerand has joined the Poincarist senatorial group, known as the Republican Union. Acknowledging the chairman's welcome, he said their task was to restore national concord. M. Millerand in taking his seat in the Senate was received with cheers by the centre and jeers and shouts of "Rengade!" by the Left.—Reuter.

Paris, April 6. After a two and a half hours meeting, the Cabinet decided to consider M. DeMonzie's proposals at another meeting to-morrow, under the presidency of M. Doumergue.

Several Ministers at the conclusion of this evening's meeting stated that they agreed in principle with M. DeMonzie's proposals, and only a few details remained to be settled.—Reuter.

### CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

#### RECENT CHANGES.

Mr A. L. Jones, chief officer, Huichow, has gone chief officer, Fatsan.

Mr L. W. Shaw, chief officer, Fatsan, has gone chief officer, Huichow.

Mr A. Swanson has been appointed second officer, Kiangsu.

Mr G. L. Crompton, second engineer, Hain Peking, has gone acting chief officer, Linan.

Mr G. H. B. Jones, chief engineer, Ngankin, has resigned.

Mr T. M. Brackenbridge, from reserve, has gone second engineer, Tatum.

Mr J. E. Evans, sup'y chief officer, Kwongsang, has gone chief officer, same ship.

Mr V. Petherick, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Chaksang.

Mr A. B. Osmond, chief officer, Chaksang, is on leave.

Mr A. Hall, third officer, Lok-sang, has gone third officer, Chaksang.

Mr L. J. Stevenson, third officer, Chaksang, is on reserve.

Mr N. Churchill, second officer, Esang, has gone acting chief officer, same ship.

Mr E. V. Bishop, chief officer, Esang, is on leave.

Mr C. A. G. Roberts, from leave, has gone sup'y second officer, Luoho.

Mr A. F. Jamieson, second officer, Kiangsing, has gone second officer, Yatshing.

Mr A. Dockwray, chief officer, Kwongsang, has gone acting master, same ship.

Captain W. F. Bichard, of the Kwongsang, is on leave.

Mr L. F. Ellis, second engineer, Loongwo, has gone acting chief engineer, Loksang.

Mr L. McWilliams, chief engineer, Loksang, is on leave.

Mr J. W. Raymond, has been appointed sup'y third engineer, Loongwo.

Mr A. Paton, sup'y third engineer, Loongwo, has gone engineer, same ship.

Mr W. S. Muat, third engineer, Loongwo, has gone acting second engineer, same ship.

### SHIPPING BOARD VESSELS.

#### BIDS FOR THE "PRESIDENT" BOATS.

Advices from America yesterday stated that the United States Shipping Board had accepted the bid of the Dollar interests for the five President ships operated by the Pacific Mail Company between San Francisco and the Orient. The news caused some surprise, for the Pacific Mail Company had also bid for the ships, and their offer was reported to be the larger of the two.

The cablegram received stated that the Board's decision was reached by a vote of four to three. It is a momentous decision, for unless the award is voted by the President it will probably compel the Pacific Mail Company, which was the pioneer line in trans-Pacific trade, to retire from that trade. The Company has, however, started injunction proceedings against the Shipping Board, and a restraining order has been granted, returnable by April 13.

#### The Bids.

It was announced on March 24 that the bids for the "President" liners, which have been the subject of so much discussion, had been opened in Washington and a rather unexpected situation came to light, when it transpired that the Dollar Line, as such, had made no bid for any vessels, passenger or freight. So much had been said and written and so much publicity given to the possibility of the Dollar Line purchasing the ten "President" ships now operated by the Pacific Mail S.S. Co. and the Admiral (Oriental) Line, that it was confidently expected that their bid would be a serious one.

From cabled information received, Mr. Stanley Dollar and associates, whose names were not given, made a bid on their own account for the steamers operated by the Pacific Mail, which if accepted, would result in control of the Pacific Mail service and might thus force the oldest American service out of existence, leaving the new interests, if they so desired, free to secure the remaining vessels and eventually to control the Pacific, in so far as American trade was concerned.

The Pacific Mail s.s. Co.'s bid was the highest offered, being U.S.\$36,750,000, while that of Mr. Stanley Dollar was U.S.\$35,625,000.

#### A Fine Legal Point.

It is difficult to understand the Board's verdict, but some light is thrown on the matter by reports published early last month, which stated that the Pacific Mail bid proposed the formation of a corporation with a capitalization equal to its bid in which the Shipping Board would take over a portion of the stock, and appoint a majority of the directors, provided the vessels should be operated on the present routes for at least a decade or as long thereafter as the Shipping Board controlled the corporation.

Members of the Shipping Board asked the legal advisers of the organization for a ruling on its right to enter an agreement such as proposed by the Pacific Mail. The members of the Board recalled that the Attorney General, in 1923, held that the Board had no right to enter a similar agreement, and there was some indication that both the Pacific Mail and the Dollar group bids might be rejected. Although the bid of the Dollar group was received favourably by some members, especially because its provisions were for the outright purchase of the ships, others questioned the policy of the Dollar interests in bidding for Pacific Mail vessels and not for those operated by the Dollar Line from Seattle.

Mr H. J. Willsher, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kwong Fook Cheung.

Mr A. Fernandes, chief officer, Kwong Fook Cheung, is on reserve.

Mr C. Masson, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Paul Beau.

Mr C. B. Robb, chief officer, Paul Beau, is on leave.

Mr E. W. Lowson, from reserve, has gone sup'y second officer, Lungshan.

Mr W. T. Tilley, sup'y second officer, Lungshan, has gone second officer, Honam.

Mr J. P. Sparling, second officer, Honam, is on leave.

Mr F. C. Bonfillier, acting master, Shu Kwang, has gone chief officer, An Lan.—Shipping and Engineering.

HOME LEAGUE  
TABLES.DERBY AND LEICESTER  
FOR PROMOTION?

The most remarkable feature of Saturday's football at Home was the paucity of goalkeeping, the aggregate for the forty-four English League matches being only seventy-one. Derby defeated Manchester United and are level with Leicester who lost to Blackpool. The revised league tables including Saturday's and yesterday's matches follow:—

## DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	G.
West Brom.	36	21	7	8	54	31	49
Huddersfield	35	18	12	5	59	24	48
Newcastle	34	15	16	7	59	35	46
Bury	36	16	14	6	50	42	46
Bolton	35	17	10	8	62	31	44
Sunderland	37	19	5	13	59	45	43
Liverpool	35	17	8	10	57	49	42
Tottenham	37	13	12	12	48	40	38
Notts C.	35	13	11	11	33	25	37
West Ham	36	13	11	12	50	49	37
Manch. C.	36	14	9	13	68	61	37
Birmingham	37	13	11	13	40	48	36
Sheffield U.	37	12	12	13	48	51	36
Cardiff	36	12	9	15	47	49	33
Blackburn	35	10	11	14	47	51	31
Aston Villa	35	9	12	14	46	63	36
Arsenal	36	12	5	19	39	52	29
Burnley	36	10	9	17	42	65	29
Leeds	36	8	12	16	40	52	28
Everton	36	10	8	18	35	54	28
Notts F.	36	7	9	20	28	57	23
Proston N.E.	36	9	3	24	33	68	21

## DIVISION II.

Leicester	36	22	7	7	84	31	51
Derby County	36	22	7	7	68	31	51
Manch. U.	35	19	8	8	48	22	46
Chelsea	36	14	12	10	46	33	40
Wolves	36	17	5	14	46	46	39
Portsmouth	36	12	15	9	45	46	39
Port Vale	35	16	6	13	40	42	38
Hull	36	13	9	14	46	41	35
Middlesbrough	36	10	15	11	31	36	35
Fulham	35	13	9	13	35	46	34
Southampton	33	11	12	10	31	31	34
Clapton O.	36	12	10	14	36	37	34
Bradford C.	35	11	12	12	34	37	34
Stockport	36	12	10	14	32	43	34
South Shields	35	10	13	12	38	35	33
Crystal P.	36	12	9	15	35	45	33
Blackpool	35	12	8	15	53	47	32
Oldham	37	11	10	16	29	46	32
Wednesday	37	13	9	18	40	53	31
Stoke	36	9	9	18	26	41	27
Barnsley	35	8	10	17	37	57	26
Coventry	36	9	7	20	41	75	25

## DIVISION III. (SOUTH.)

Swansea	35	18	10	7	60	30	46
Bristol C.	36	19	8	9	46	27	46
Plymouth	35	19	7	9	57	34	45
Swindon	35	17	9	9	51	30	43
Newport	35	17	8	10	53	35	42
Millwall	36	14	13	9	50	36	41
Exeter	36	17	7	12	53	41	41
Brighton	36	16	8	12	51	38	40
Northants	36	18	4	14	45	35	40
Southend	35	16	4	15	43	46	36
Charlton	35	12	10	13	37	38	34
Watford	36	13	8	15	30	43	33
Norwich	34	11	11	12	42	42	33
Gillingham	36	11	11	14	30	40	33
Reading	33	12	8	13	30	25	32
Aberdare	36	13	6	17	45	54	32
Luton	37	8	15	14	40	51	31
Bristol R.	35	10	10	15	37	42	30
Bournemouth	35	11	8	16	32	45	30
Q.P.R.	35	10	10	13	37	55	27
Brentford	37	8	7	22	31	80	23
Merthyr	36	8	5	23	31	60	21

## DIVISION III. (NORTH.)

Darlington	35	22	8	5	71	25	52
Nelson	34	21	5	8	64	37	47
Southport	34	18	7	9	59	30	43
Bradford	36	16	10	10	75	38	42
New Brighton	34	16	7	11	62	46	39
Rochdale	35	16	7	12	60	46	39
Ashington	37	14	10	13	63	69	38
Lincoln	37	15	8	14	44	53	38
Hallifax	35	13	10	12	45	42	36
Chesterfield	35	13	10	12	45	42	36
Barrow	35	15	6	14	46	55	36
Crowe	36	11	13	12	47	60	35
Doncaster	36	13	7	16	48	56	33
Accrington	35	13	7	15	54	63	33
Grimsby	35	12	8	15	45	49	32
Wigan	36	10	11	14	51	57	31
Walsall	36	11	9	16	37	46	31
Tranmere	34	13	4	17	50	53	30
Durham	35	9	12	14	36	63	30
Hartlepool	35	9	9	17	38	56	27
Wrexham	36	10	8	18	39	57	28
Rotherham	36	6	7	23	37	75	19

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE: DIVISION I.

Rangers	34	22	9	3	67	23	53
Aldrie	33	23	6	4	80	28	52
Hibernians	37	22	8	7	78	41	52
Celtic	34	17	7	10	70	39	41
Cowdenbeath	37	15	10	12	73	65	40
Partick	34	13	10	11	56	53	36
Dundee	35	14	7	14	46	50	35
Rath R.	35	13	8	14	50	54	34
Hearts	35	11	11	14	60	64	33
Morton	36	12	9	15	44	65	33
St. Mirren	34	14	4	18	57	61	32
Hamilton	35	14	3	18	48	57	31
St. Johnstone	35	10	11	14	52	65	31
Aberdeen	35	10	10	15	43	50	30
Kilmarnock	36	10	9	17	47	63	29
Motherwell	35	10	9	16	53	59	29
Falkirk	35	10	8	17	41	49	28
Ayr United	36	10	8	18	42	64	28
Third Lanark	36	10	8	18	47	79	28
Queen's Park	34	10	7	17	42	66	27

SIR PAUL CHATER'S  
PICTURES.

## OF HISTORICAL INTEREST.

A London publisher has recently issued an art edition of a book on Sir Paul Chater's valuable collection of pictures relating to China, Hongkong and Macao, some of them dating from as far back as 1655. The volume includes historical and descriptive letterpress by Mr James Orange, the authority on Japanese lacquer, who was one of the founders of the local architectural firm of Leigh and Orange.

A reviewer of the work states:—Realizing the importance of getting together paintings, portraits, aquatints, engravings and maps dealing with China, Hongkong and Macao, Sir Paul Chater acquired the collection of Mr. Wyndham O. Law (Chinese Maritime Customs), which has been materially added to for him by the author. The result is that his collection of pictures, etc., surpasses in compass and in value any that has hitherto been formed upon the same subject. It may be added that 41 of these pictures were exhibited in the Hongkong Pavilion at the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley.

Sir Paul Chater has had the advantage of advice and assistance from his friend, Mr. James Orange, the well-known authority upon Japanese lacquer, who was a leading resident in Hongkong for 25 years. Mr. Orange has described each picture precisely and luminously and has attached to it a historical note of great value. The book is thus a most important work of reference for historians and geographers.

Reproductions of the chief pictures, and full letterpress descriptions of all, have been carefully classified by the author. Thus pictures of the China Wars and various diplomatic missions to China in connexion therewith are in a class by themselves, pictures of shipping and of the East India Company's merchant ships are in another class, etc. In all, there are 12 main divisions of the book and to each division there is, apart from details of each picture, a valuable general introduction. These separate introductions give, in condensed historical form, all necessary information and are a significant feature in the work, second only in importance to its lavish illustrations. These include 18 full-page coloured plates reproduced by a special process and over 250 pictures in half-tone, while a frontispiece presents a photograph portrait of Sir Paul Chater. There is also a full index and a list of artists, engravers and lithographers.

## UNTRUE REPORT.

## JAPAN'S CULTURAL BOARD.

Peking, April 6.

It is stated that the Chinese Charge d'Affaires at Tokyo recently reported that the Cultural Board in Tokyo, which is at present under the Asiatic Bureau of the Japanese Foreign Office, would in future be controlled by civilians instead of by officials, and that the money would be devoted to various enterprises instead of to cultural purposes in China.

The Japanese Legation has sent a Note to the Waichiao-pu saying that the report is untrue, and asking that the report should not be used in creating misunderstandings.—Daily Bulletin.

## COCONUT PEARL.

Though first described nearly two centuries ago, the pearl of coconuts, or "coconut pearl," is an almost unknown rarity. In a voyage to the East Indies, Dr. F. W. T. Hungerford has sought to solve the problem of these pearls, and at last discovered one in place in the fruit. The coconut's hard inner shell usually has three thin spots, or "eyes," one of which is closed by a membrane through which germination takes place. The pearl found, lacking the lustre of the oyster pearl, was embedded in the endosperm just under the spot where the germinating pores should have been, and the arrest of germination from absence of the pores is thought to have brought about a lime deposit from the milk.

## ORIENTALS AND DRINK.

## Can Prohibition Work?

The question whether it is possible for a church in any part of the world to do honest work without coming into collision with the drink traffic is dealt with by a correspondent of the Observer obviously a missionary.

He relates at length how the prohibition enjoined throughout the East by the ancient faiths of the people is in danger of breaking down as the East gradually takes up Western customs and modes of living. Great numbers of Oriental people nowadays, he says, have the whisky bottle handy for a friend and keep it employed for themselves too. The correspondent complains that to the native distillations the Europeans have added their own inventions and whisky, brandy, gin (or what bears their labels) with wines and beers of many sorts, food the East to-day.

He places the responsibility for this state of affairs upon Europe and "Britishers exploiting ignorant people for gain," and adds that it is time this stain was removed from our record. We rather think the Oriental, whether prohibited by his religious faith or not, had formed drinks of his own long before the purer and better foreign product was invented, and if he is now taking to whisky and brandy, which we very much doubt because he cannot afford them, it is because these concoctions are safer and make a better appeal to his palate.

It does not follow that if the white man shouldered the burden of abolishing the traffic in European drinks the Oriental would consent to be totally deprived of a stimulant. The way China "solved" the opium evil by growing her own poppy, points to what would happen. The small deficiency created by the withdrawal of the "stain" from Europe would soon be made up by turning on the "samsu" tap and flooding the country with various forms of that vilest of drinks, China Express.

## FUTURE OF CHINA.

## Factors for National Unity.

"I think that one day China will be a real national unit," said Professor P. M. Roxby, Lecturer in Geography at the Liverpool University, speaking recently at the Regent-street Polytechnic, London on "Some Aspects of the Political Geography of the Far East." The lecturer dealt in detail with the physical features of the different Chinese provinces, and showed how these had retarded the formation of a strong nationality.

"China," he said, "has a long way to go before the process of building up the feeling of a united national unit in an area so vast and so diverse can be completed. China at present is a civilisation, a culture, feeling its way towards national unity. The attainment of this end must naturally be a very slow and laborious one, but I feel that in time it will be achieved."

The lecturer dealt with the growth of the Chinese railway system, the tendencies towards the promotion of an all-Chinese opinion and an all-Chinese educational programme. All these, he thought, were making for national unity.

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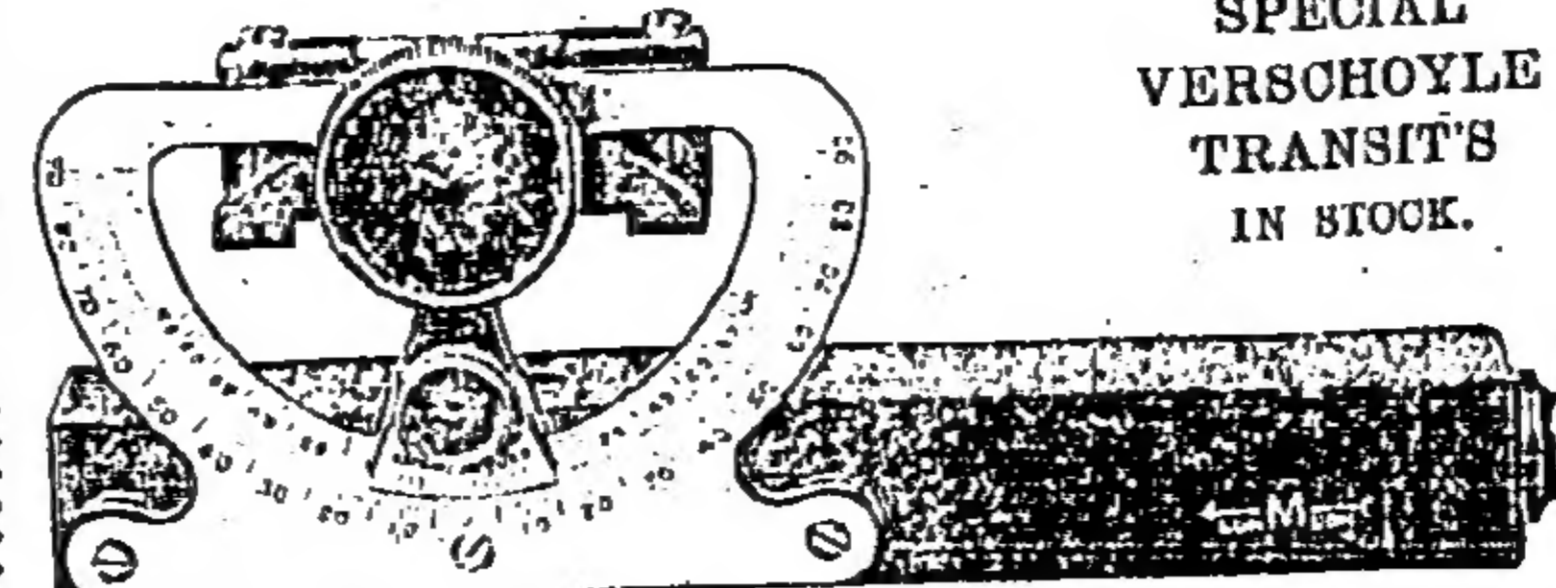
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## HOAXING FOR A HOBBY.

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America's great practical joker, Mr. Brian G. Hughes, has just died at the age of seventy-five, of apoplexy, says a recent New York message. In his lifetime he often caused a near approach to apoplexy in the victims of his jokes.

His most famous and successful joke was at the expense of the National Cat Show, which some years ago was an annual social affair at Madison-square Garden, New York. Mr. Hughes found a stray cat in the street a short time before the show opened. He carefully cleaned and groomed the animal, and wrote a long pedigree of its descent from the royal cats of the Shah of Persia.

He had an elaborate cat house constructed, covered with roses, and pretended to represent prizes the cat had won in Europe. He entered the cat in the name of a Persian. Every day, during the show, a liveried servant appeared at the show with cream and chicken to feed the cat. The impression created was enormous, and when the judges made their awards Mr. Hughes' stray tom won a first prize.

Elated by this success, he attempted a similar hoax at the more fashionable New York Horse Show. He acquired an ordinary working horse, fed it up, made a pedigree for it, and entered the animal as an English hackney of Arab descent.

This was one of Mr. Hughes' failures. His entry passed several preliminary tests, the judges being much impressed by the pedigree, naming Arab steeds as ancestors, and also by the ears shown the horse by its attendant. The animal had been named "Pulchra Orphan," and of the judges saw a resemblance in the name to "Pulled the car often." Suspensions were aroused, and a quiet investigation revealed the hoax before the judges had reached the point of giving the horse a prize.

## A NEGRO KING.

When Tiffany's jewellery shop, the largest in New York, was at

Union-square Mr. Hughes hired a large dignified negro to impersonate an Eastern potentate. A gorgeous uniform embroidered with paste jewels was made for the negro, who was driven up to the Tiffany shop, where he alighted, carrying a handbag.

Pausing a moment, the negro opened the handbag, and then as if by accident it fell from his hands, and a hundred or more paste diamonds rolled about the street. The negro shouted for the police, pretending the diamonds were real. An enormous crowd collected, everybody searching for diamonds. The police reserves had to be summoned, as rumours spread that the diamonds had been lost from Tiffany's, and people were holding them under the law of "findings, keepings."

One summer at Asbury Park, a popular seaside resort near New York, Mr. Hughes buried a quantity of brass fillings in the sands. Then he spread a report of a buried treasure, left beneath the sands by pirates centuries ago, having been unearthed.

Thousands of people dug in the sands, getting the brass fillings, and thinking they were gold. The police took notice of the disturbance that ensued and traced the cause to Hughes. He was taken before a magistrate and fined for disorderly conduct.

On another occasion Mr. Hughes offered the city of New York a site for a park. After formal communications had been exchanged, the city accepted and appointed an official committee to receive the gift. It turned out to be a lot measuring two by eight feet in an inaccessible outlying part of the city.

A favourite joke of Mr. Hughes was to go into a crowded restaurant on a rainy day with an umbrella. He would place the umbrella in a conspicuous place and then sit back and watch.

Almost invariably someone without an umbrella would steal the one he had brought. Then he would follow the person to the street and watch him open the umbrella, for inside, in white paper was written in large letters, "Stolen from B. G. Hughes America."

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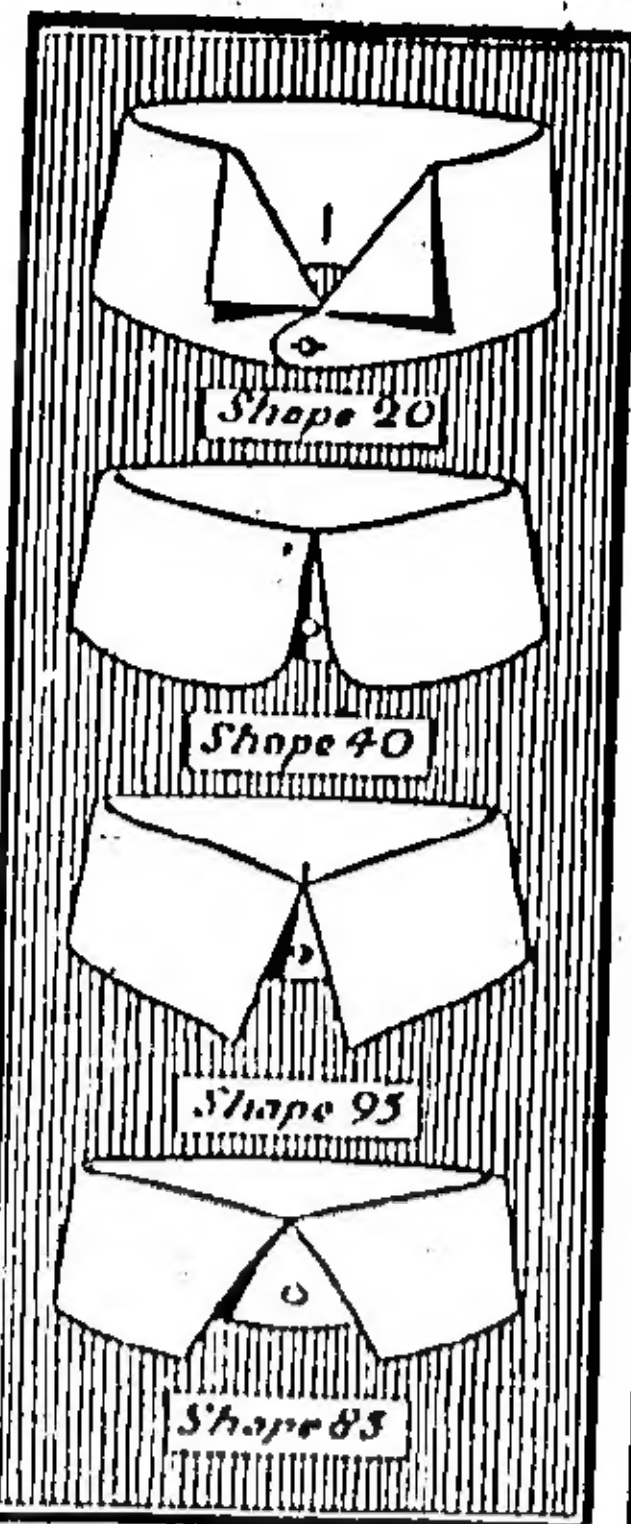
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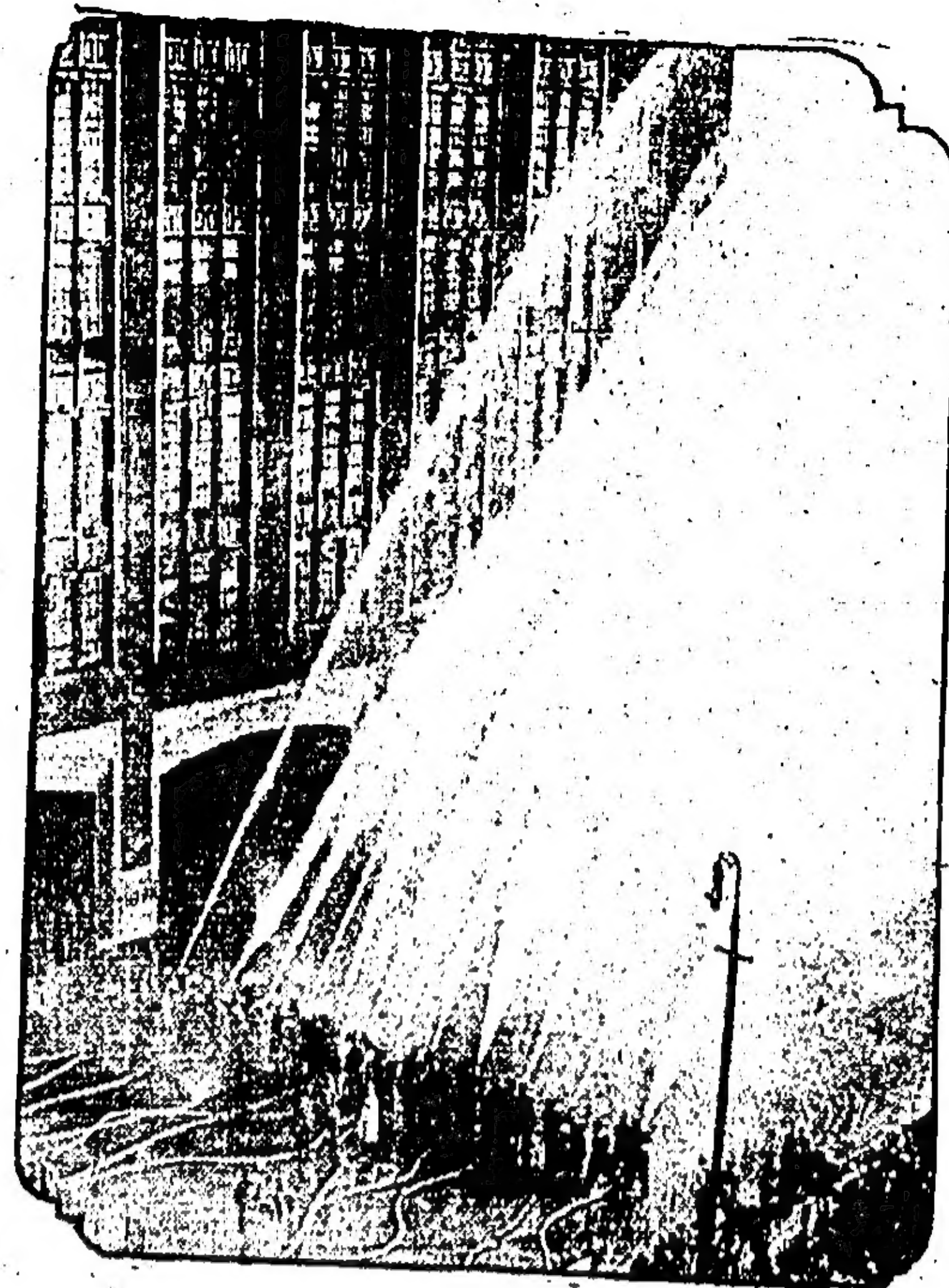
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# CAMERA NEWS



**MOURNING FOR DR. SUN.**—The railway station at Canton was draped in black and white as an expression of grief as soon as Canton received the news of Dr. Sun's death. The entrance to the station is shown transformed into a mourning archway.



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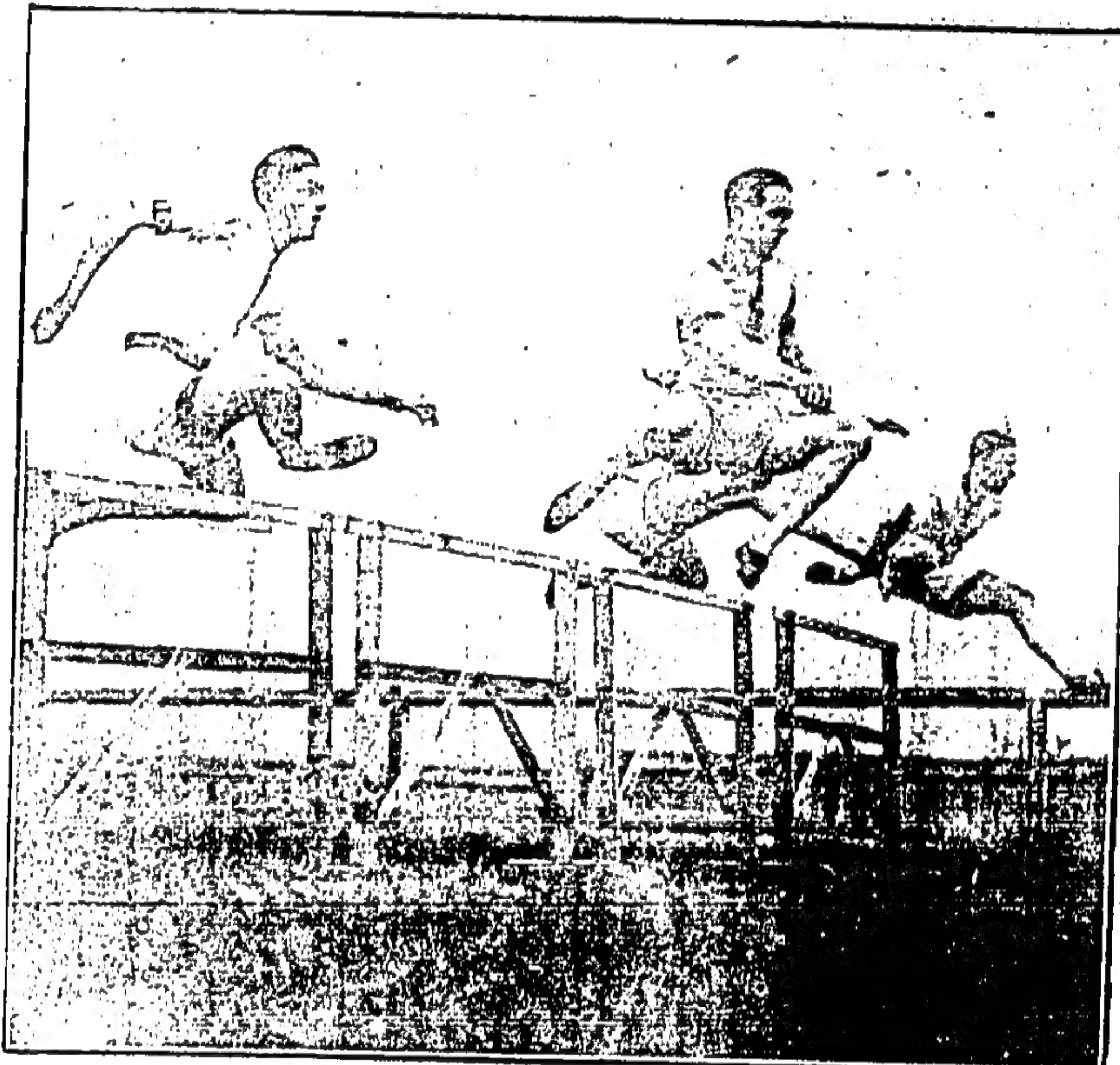
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**DANCED WITH PRINCE.**  
—Here is a photo of Miss Mabel Southgate, the blind school teacher who was the favourite dancing partner of the Prince of Wales at a recent dance at Melon Mowbray.



**OXFORD UNIVERSITY SPORTS.**—A. E. Porritt (second from left) who won both the high and low hurdles at the Oxford University Clubs' Sports. ("The Times" copyright photograph.)



**PUTTING THE WEIGHT.**—R. L. Hyatt who won the putting-the-weight at the Oxford University Sports. His winning putt was 39 ft. 10 in. ("The Times" copyright photograph).



**CRIME MUSEUM.**—Picture shows one room of the Shanghai Municipal Police crime museum. The cases contain exhibits of counterfeit money, bombs, burglars, tools, weapons used by murderers, etc., and around the room are various larger articles seized by the police. On the wall on the right is a collection of robbers' knives and at the end are two roulette wheels. Bottles of "Hongkew Scotch" are standing on shelves.



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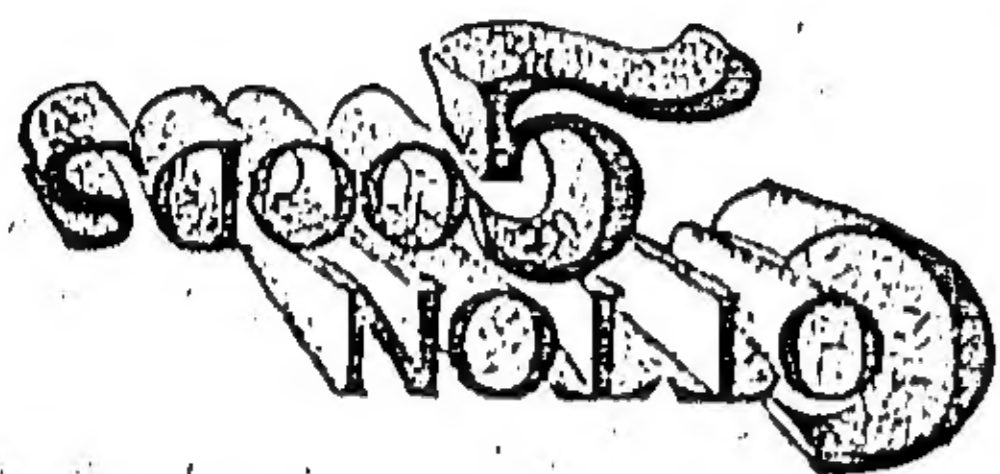
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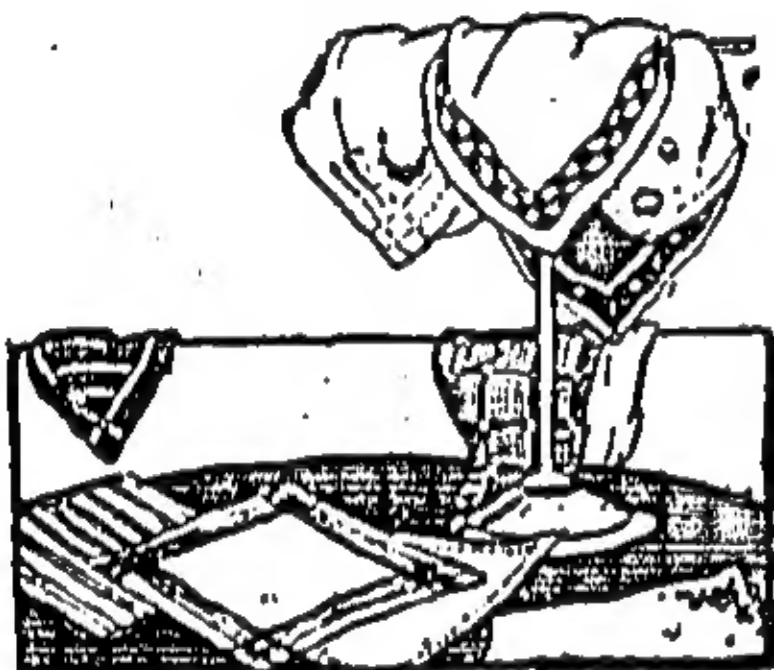
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The school course will comprise both the musical and the dramatic sides of the opera, and the strictest adherence to tradition will be observed.

The subjects studied will include the invaluable art of reading at sight, diction, voice production, acting and elocution, deportment, and stage dancing. An orchestral class will be held weekly for instrumentalists wishing to make a special study of Sullivan's scores, and students will have the opportunity of displaying their talents, as it is the intention of the school to produce a Gilbert and Sullivan opera from time to time.

The school is intended for both professional and amateur lovers of the opera who are anxious for an opportunity to study them thoroughly.

The school is open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and as it is expected that a large contingent of Gilbert and Sullivan enthusiasts who are tied to their professions or offices by day will enrol to enjoy the study and performance of their favourite operas, special endeavour will be made to arrange that as many classes as possible shall take place in the evening.

The choral class meets at 6 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays, and the stage dancing class on Thursdays at the same hour.

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**FAMOUS BACTERIOLOGIST.**

Professor M. E. Klein, M. D., F. R. S., founder of modern bacteriology, has died. He was fortunate in living to see his life work come to fruition, while those who watched it from the beginning can only wonder whether Parliament ever devoted £2,000 a year to a better purpose than the subsidy granted as a result of the smallpox epidemic of 1871, coupled with the fear of an epidemic of Asiatic cholera. He issued a series of valuable reports upon acute and chronic infective processes, diarrhoea, scarlatina, smallpox, typhoid fever, cholera, and while he continued his researches for Government, the causation of Oriental plague occupied a considerable portion of his time.

**DAILY HUMOUR.**

Wife: "Well, you proposed to me seven times before I accepted you!"  
Husband: "Yes—and then my luck failed me!"  
— Sydney Bulletin Australia.

**TO-DAY'S FASHION.**

A sports tunic of the gayest persuasion is this. It is for doted printed foulard in red and white with bands of red for hem and at the hip line. The fullness is all at one side, laid, as you see, in crisp pleats. Red buttons, red pipings on collar and red tie are details.

**STATE RECOGNITION.****Increased Grant for Science.**

The National Union of Scientific Workers has been informed by the Treasury that it has been decided, as a result of its representations, to provide in the 1925-6 Estimates for an increase in the grant to the Royal Society towards the cost of scientific publications from £1,000 to £2,500. It is pointed out in the current issue of the *Scientific Worker* that, with an additional £1,500 available, the Royal Society will be able to consider with a more friendly eye applications from individual research workers for assistance to enable their results to be published.

The Union of Scientific Workers, whose offices are at 25, Victoria-street, S.W.1, is an association founded in 1918 to guard the interests of men of science, in the same way as the British Medical Association guards the interests of the medical profession.

**MOST POPULAR BOOK.**

After all, no novel is so well thumbed to-day as the dictionary. We have before mentioned the difficulty of keeping a dictionary in home or office, so insistent and nefarious are the demands of crossword puzzles. Wimbledon is perhaps not wholly populated by victims of the craze—or should it be placed, along with influenza, that other temporary affliction, among the sudden and mysterious diseases? At any rate, so much damage has been caused to dictionaries in the public library at Wimbledon by people attempting the puzzles that the committee has had to withdraw them from the reference room. It was clearly impossible to "black out" the "wanted" portions.

**"MY FROAT AND MY TUMMY"**

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**ALTERING THE MAP.**

**Serious Coast Erosion Through  
Gales.**

The continuous gales and heavy rains of this winter have caused very serious sea encroachments around our coasts, and from Yorkshire to Cornwall the map of the coast-line has been remarkably altered in many places by coast erosion during the last few months, says the *London Observer*. The exposed part of the Yorkshire coast, between the Humber and Bridlington Bay, has again been compelled to give up to the sea much valuable foreshore, particularly around Spurn Point, where the North Sea threatens to make a clean breach of the Kinson coast and cut a channel through to Sunk Island, entirely isolating Spurn Point.

Around the western end of the Isle of Wight the south-westerly gales have enabled the Channel to carry away great quantities of the cliffs, loosened by tropical rains, and near Bouldnor and Yarmouth the road over the road leading from Plymouth to the seaside resort of Downderry has subsided, and had to be closed to traffic, the cliff threatening to break away entirely and bring about a complete collapse of the roadway.

At Sidmouth, Devon, the waves have smashed through the esplanade and made breaches in the sea wall, in one place over 30 ft. long, and tons of masonry have been washed into the Channel.

Aldborough, on the Suffolk coast, has again been a great sufferer. Here the North Sea is steadily taking its toll of the town, and the tide now washes over and around houses which a short time ago were some distance from the sea, and in occupation. At one time the Town Hall of Aldborough was separated by several streets from the sea front; it now stands facing the sea, which has engulfed the intervening portion of the old town, which in the time of Elizabeth returned two members to Parliament. A few miles north of Aldborough all that remains of what was once the thriving city of Dunwich, the principal seaport on the East Coast, are the ruins of All Saints' Church, which stand solitary and alone on the low cliffs, somewhere below which lie hundreds of buildings buried for ever in the waters of the North Sea.

The average loss by coast erosion around our coasts is something like 2,000 acres per year, with a slight accretion by the building up of sandbanks slightly above high water. But when, as during the present winter, abnormal gales and rains are almost continuous, the loss is much greater, and the extensive sea defences which some wealthy places on the coast have built in recent years have actually increased the erosion in neighbouring places, owing to the scour of the tides where they are diverted by the defences to unprotected areas.



Our Portrait is of Mrs. M. MOORE, of 97, Brettell Lane, Stourbridge, England, who writes:—

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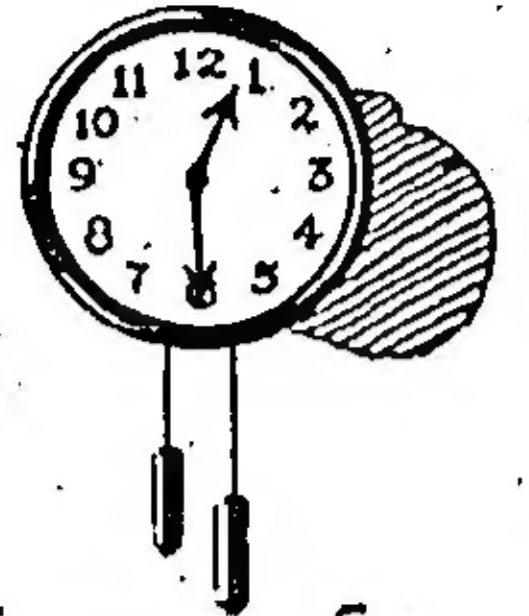
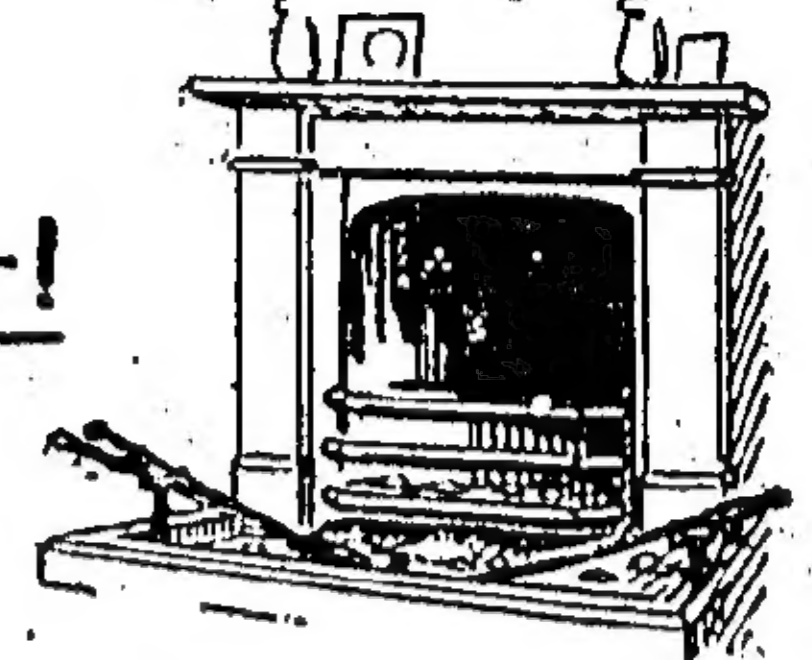
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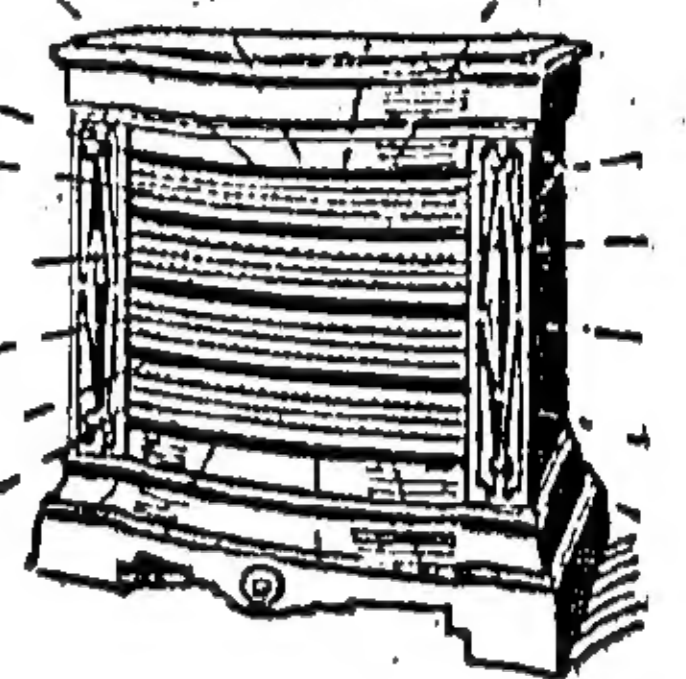
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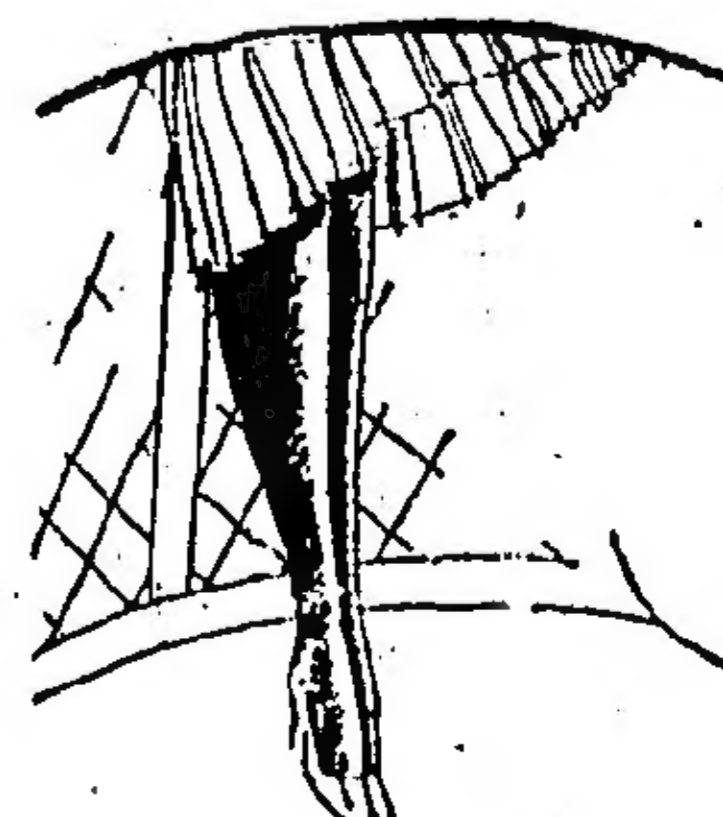
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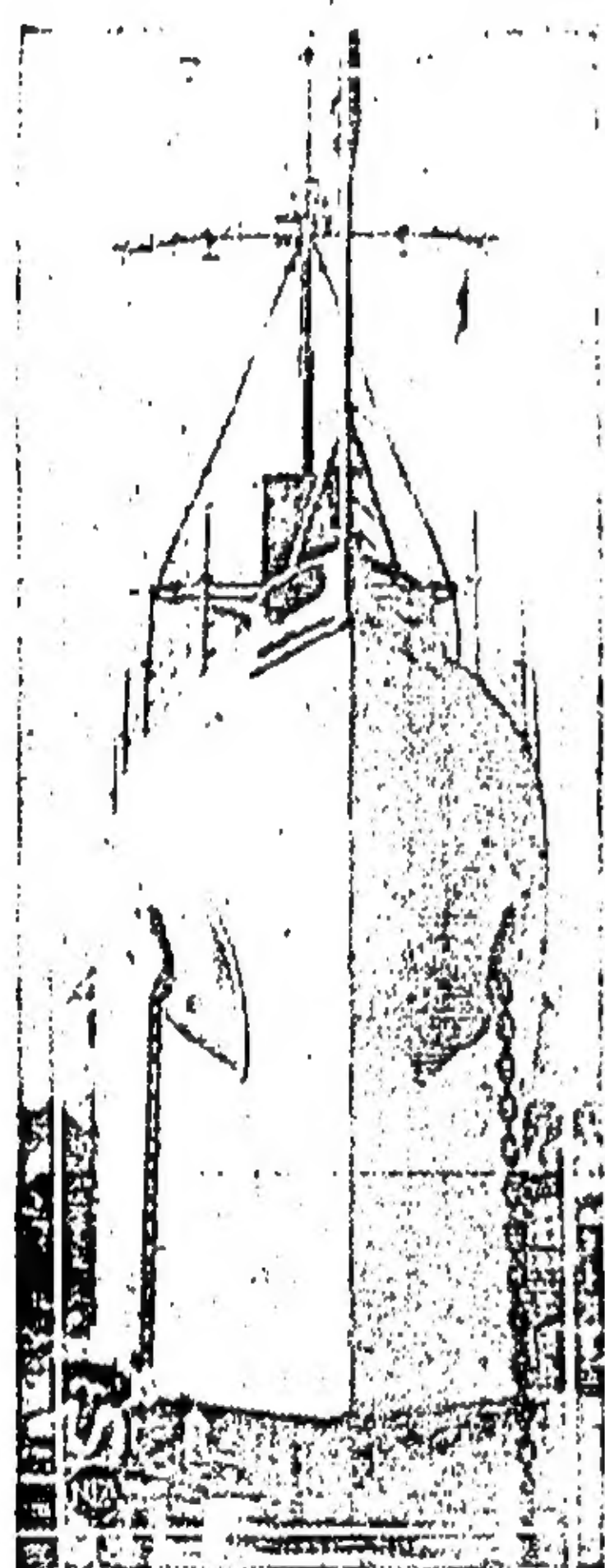
This shows one reason for taking world tours, Miss Betty Fulford, hailed as one of the prettiest girls on the Empress of France, is seen listening to the wild waves at Ceylon.



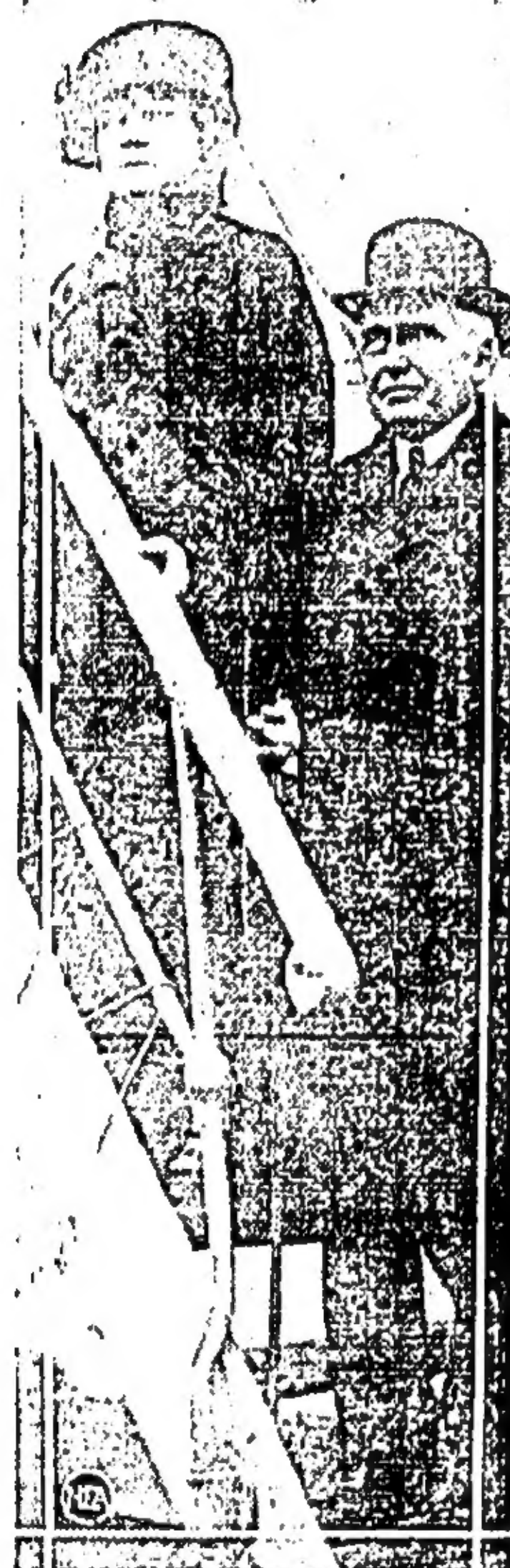
A group of tourists on the decks of the Empress of France, sailing through the tropics. Everyone seen in this picture is a British subject.



Roger Wolfe Kahn, 17, son of Otto H. Kahn, wealthy opera patron, is himself the leader of a jazz band and was chosen for the honour of playing at the charity inaugural ball in Washington on March 4.



The recent visit of the U. S. S. Marblehead to Algiers possibly brought historical memories to the natives, of another day and age when another American vessel under Stephen Decatur won freedom for Americans from the corsairs of Algiers with flaming broadsides. In this photo of the Marblehead in the harbour of Algiers, she appears as some great monument.



Prohibition is in America to stay. That is all Mr. Frank B. Kellogg would say for public consumption when he returned from England, where he was Ambassador, to become Secretary of State. Mrs. Kellogg was photographed with him.



A pretty wedding was solemnized by Rev. Father MacDonald, S.J., at St. Joseph's Church, Shanghai, on March 24, when Miss Dorothy Yvonne Frances Moran, daughter of the late Mr. Thomas Moran and Mrs. Moran of Shanghai, was married to Mr. William Charles Gomersall, A.M.I.E.E., of the Jardine Engineering Corporation, Shanghai. In the group reading from left to right:—Mr. C. W. K. Pennett (best man), Mrs. Gomersall (mother of the bridegroom), the bridegroom and his bride, Miss Agnes Moran (sister of the bride, who acted as bridesmaid), Mr. B. P. Lalaca (who gave the bride away) and Mr. Quixley (usher). Mrs. Moran (mother of the bride and matron-of-honour) is seen standing a little behind the bride and bridesmaid.

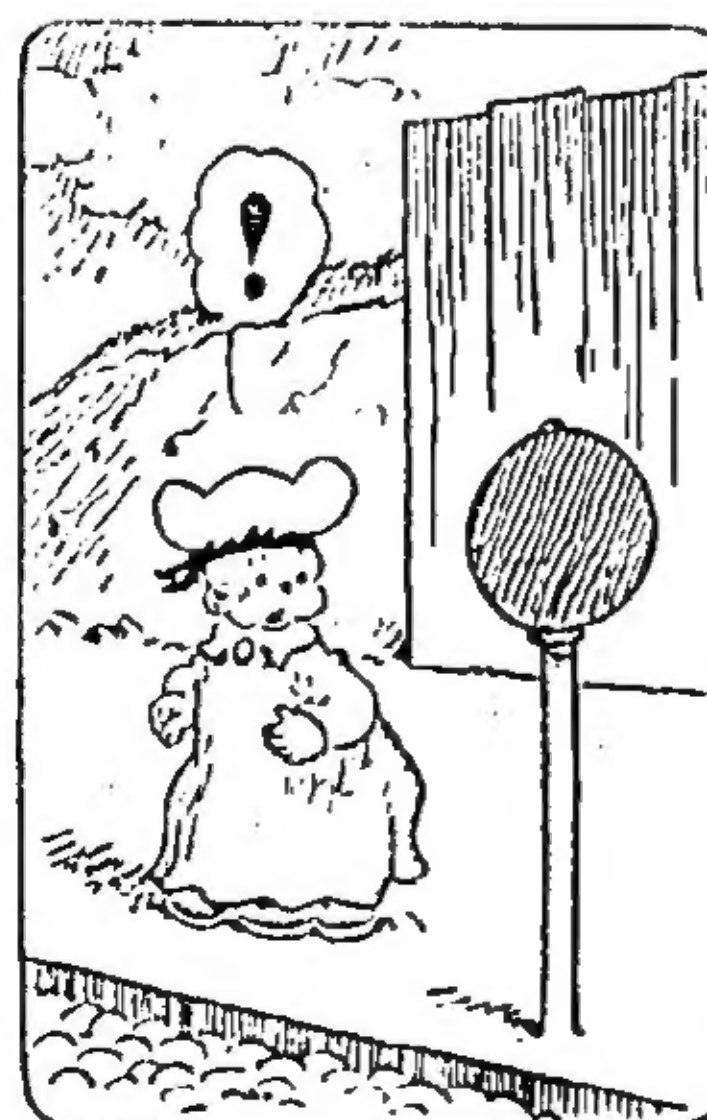
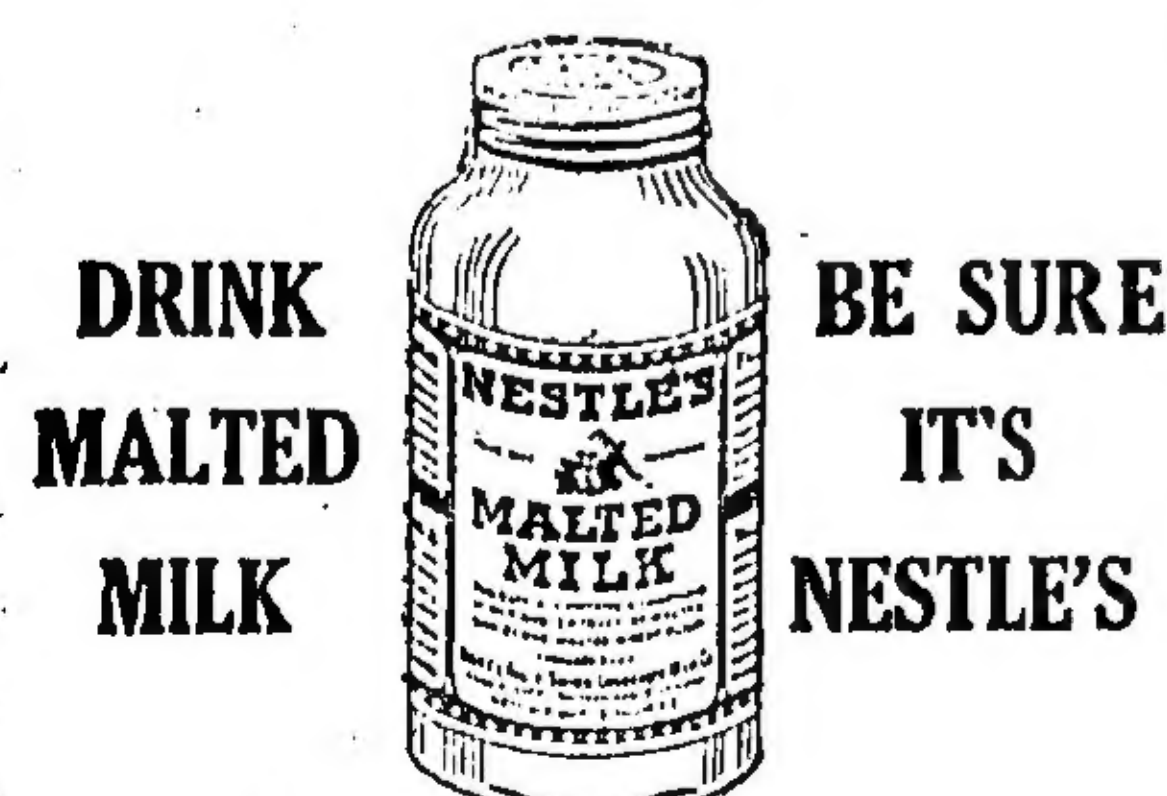


Indian chiefs of the Yakima tribe of the State of Washington have journeyed there to protest to the "Great White Father" that they have been deprived of hunting rights on their own reservation, rights guaranteed to them under the treaty of 1855. President Coolidge is shown between two of the chiefs on their visit to the White House, Sis-Elli-Palmer (left) and Youkosh Owli.

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continued returfing and notices  
asking people not to walk on it,  
this circular strip of greensward  
has struggled unsuccessfully  
against the hundreds of young  
feet which have been drawn to  
mount its slope. On some days  
there is a constant procession  
round the statue, for each step  
discloses some fresh bird, beast,  
or fairy which must be pointed  
out to one's friends or, if possible,  
fingered. So as grass is evidently  
not intended to grow in the neigh-  
bourhood of Peter Pan it has been  
removed, and is being replaced by  
crazy pavement.

A deputation waiting on the  
Minister of Transport recently

urged the need of more tube  
railways for South-East London.  
The case put forward was in  
brief, that the districts north of  
the Thames, with an area of  
49 square miles, have 58 miles  
of underground railway, serving  
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tion of nearly two millions, has  
only 11 miles of underground  
railway, which chiefly serves the  
south-west districts leaving the  
south-east untouched. The  
Minister of Transport gave what  
is called a sympathetic reply.  
He is no doubt aware that some  
of the south-west districts do  
not consider themselves so highly  
privileged as the south-easterners  
imply; they also want more  
tubes. Underground travelling,  
indeed, seems to be especially  
popular where there are no  
underground facilities. At any  
rate, people do like a chance to  
choose between the level and the  
burrow.

## CONSIGNEES.

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From PHILIPPINE PORTS

The Steamship

"WE-T JESSUP"

having arrived from above port  
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heroby requested to present the  
Bills of Lading in exchange for  
Delivery Orders, and take im-  
mediate delivery from alongside  
steamer.

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from steamer by April 5th 1925  
will be landed into the hazardous  
and/or extra-hazardous godown  
of the Hongkong and Kowloon  
Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.  
Consignees' risk, whence deliv-  
ery may be obtained.

All broken, chafed and dam-  
aged cargo will be examined by  
Messrs. Anderson and Ash  
(Marine Surveyors) at the go-  
downs on April 10th 1925, at  
8 a.m.

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goods remaining undelivered  
after April 11th 1925 will be  
subject to rent.

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must be presented to the Under-  
signed on or before April 18  
1925, or they will not be recogniz-  
ed.

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will be effected.

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Hongkong, April 4th 1925.

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exchange for Delivery Order  
and take immediate delivery  
from alongside steamer.

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from steamer by 5th April 1925  
will be landed into the hazardous  
and/or extra-hazardous godown  
of the Hongkong & Kowloon  
Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.,  
Consignees' risk, whence deliv-  
ery may be obtained.

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aged cargo will be examined by  
Messrs. Anderson and Ash  
(Marine Surveyors) at the go-  
down on 11th April 1925 at  
10 a.m.

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after the goods have left the  
steamer or godowns, and all  
goods remaining undelivered  
after 12th April 1925 will be  
subject to rent.

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must be presented to the Under-  
signed on or before 19th April  
1925, or they will not be recogniz-  
ed.

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will be effected.

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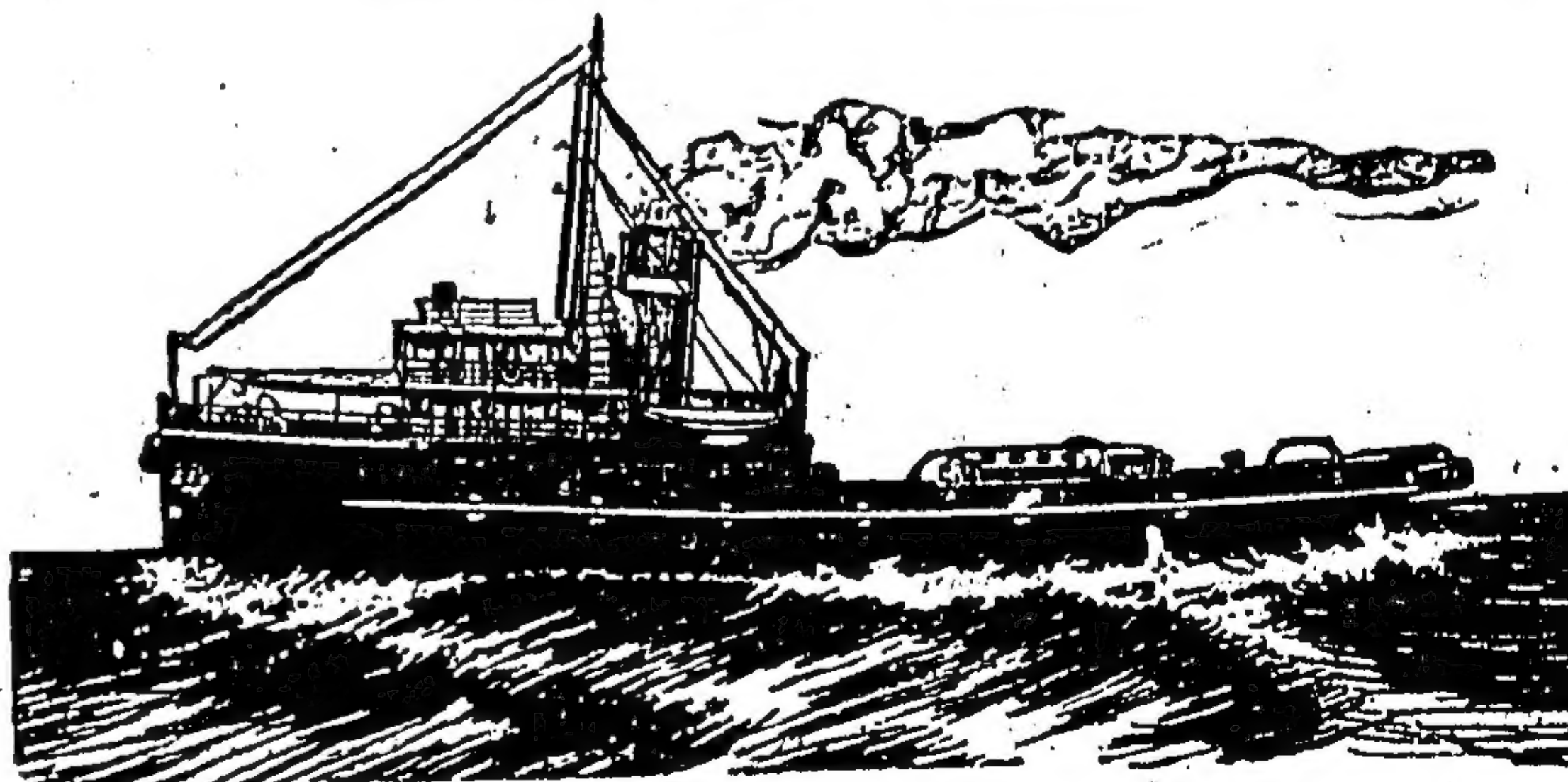
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MACEDONIA	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London
ALPHE	5,273	13th May	S'pore, P'ang & B'bay
SARDINIA	6,684	16th May	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
SOUDAN	6,698	28th May	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London
NAGOYA	6,854	31st May	Marseilles & London
SICILIA	6,813	10th June	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KALYAN	9,144	13th June	M'los, London & Antwerp
MALWA	10,911	27th June	Marseilles & London
DELTA	8,097	6th July	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,985	11th July	M'los, London & Antwerp
SARDINIA	6,684	22nd July	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MANILA	10,102	23rd July	Marseilles & London
KASHGAR	9,005	8th Aug.	M'los, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,089	22nd Aug.	Marseilles & London
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TAIREA	7,983	5th May	Kobe
TANDA	6,956	9th May	Moji & Kobe
KALYAN	9,144	15th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
SICILIA	6,813	15th May	Shanghai & Kobe
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its fauna and flora? New and  
interesting light has been thrown  
on these biological problems by  
observations made by Dutch  
naturalists on islands devastated  
by the eruption of Krakatao  
written the *Times* scientific cor-  
respondent. They have an im-  
portant bearing on the general  
questions of the past history and  
the present distribution of animals  
and plants.

Krakatao, Verlaton, and Sobsey  
are small volcanic islands in the  
Sunda Strait, between Java and  
Sumatra. The largest of them,  
Krakatao, is less than five miles  
across, and the distance be-  
tween Java and Sumatra is about  
25 miles. Sobsey is ten miles  
nearer Sumatra. These tropical  
islands were covered with luxu-  
riant vegetation and doubtless  
supported a rich fauna, although,  
unfortunately, no careful survey  
of their plants and animals had  
been made. Suddenly, in 1883,  
one of the most terrible volcanic  
eruptions known in history took  
place. From May 20 to  
August 16 explosions followed  
each other at short intervals, and  
in the last and most violent two  
peaks nearly 1,500 ft. high were  
blown away and half of the peak  
of Krakatao (nearly 3,000 ft. high)  
was destroyed. The islands were  
covered with hot ashes to a depth  
of nearly 200 ft. On Sobsey, even,  
at least one-half of the land was  
covered to a depth of many feet,  
and no doubt there some of the  
animals and plants, escaping de-  
struction, in due course spread  
to the undevastated portion. But  
all biologists who have visited  
Krakatao and Verlaton since the  
eruption are convinced that  
nothing could have escaped on  
them. The whole surface was  
a glowing or smouldering furnace  
for many weeks and a waste of  
dust and cinders for many months.

The vegetation came back first,  
and there are now forests of  
fruit trees, thickets of brushwood,  
and meadows on the more open  
slopes. Careful collecting from  
time to time has established the  
fact that the wholly devastated  
Krakatao and Verlaton have now  
almost as many species of  
animals as partly-devastated  
Sobsey, the numbers being re-  
spectively 372, 325, and 638.  
Naturally, the great majority of  
these belong to animals capable  
of flight. Wind currents are  
not great. The order of appear-  
ance seems to show that many  
more species came to the island  
than were able to establish them-  
selves, the more important factor  
being suitable conditions for the  
settlement of accidental arrivals.  
The first settlers were doubtless  
scavengers, of decaying vegetable  
matter; the next, those feeding  
on living vegetable tissues; and  
the latest, predaceous and parasitic  
creatures. The earlier collections  
showed very few species, but a  
very great number of individuals,  
because, if the conditions were  
possible, the absence of enemies  
and of parasites favoured rapid  
multiplication.

## TRANSPORT BY SEA.

On the three islands the  
proportion of winged creatures is  
81 per cent. for Krakatao, 83 per  
cent. for Verlaton, and 76 per  
cent. for Sobsey. The difference  
has probably little significance,  
as it cannot be supposed that  
a complete collection has been  
made. But if there is any  
meaning, the less distance from  
land in the case of Sobsey is the  
most likely cause. Examination  
of the animals without flight  
suggests a number of interesting  
considerations. In 1908 no ter-  
restrial mammals had reached  
Krakatao or Verlaton, but by  
1921 a house rat had not only  
reached Krakatao, but had  
spread all over the island,  
and both that and a country  
rat were abundant in Sobsey.  
These had probably been brought  
by man. Two reptiles, a python  
and a varanus lizard, both strong  
swimmers, which have been  
observed far out at sea, had got  
to Krakatao by 1907, and two  
geckos, probably passengers on  
drift wood, had reached it by  
1921. Eleven species of wingless  
insects, four of centipedes and  
millipedes, and 73 of spiders  
were found in Krakatao in 1921,  
a much greater number than in  
1908. The spiders, or at least  
some of them, might have been  
wind-blown on their rafts of  
gossamer, but the others must  
have drifted. Still more surprising  
was the early arrival of a few  
land crustaceans, molluscs, and  
earthworms, creatures generally  
regarded as intolerant of sea  
water.

## EXCHANGE.

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Straits & Calcutta	Leeang	Thurs., 9 inst.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Namwang	Thurs., 9 inst.
U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via San Francisco	Huiching	Thurs., 9 inst.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Parcels 10th 9 a.m.	
Saigon, "Straits", Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Adeu, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Pres. Lincoln	Sat., 11 inst.
Manila, "Straits", Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Hozan M.	Sun., 12 inst.
Swatow & Bangkok	Angers	Sat., 11 inst.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Ship sails at 4 p.m. on Sun., 12th April.	
Manila, "Straits", Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	Pres. Monroe	Sun., 13 inst.
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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria B.C.	Parcels noon.	
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	Letters 3.30 p.m.	
	(Due Victoria B.C. 4th May)	
	Mishima M.	Thurs., 16 inst.

## WEATHER REPORT.

Apr. 7d. 11h 59m.—Pressure has increased moderately over N. Japan and, with few excep-  
tions, has decreased slightly to moderately elsewhere. The an-  
tecyclone has now extend con-  
siderably to the eastward,  
covering the whole of the north  
part of the Sea.  
Fresh monsoon will prevail  
along the coast and cover the  
northern China Sea.  
Hongkong rainfall for the 24  
hours ending at 10 a.m. today.  
0.00 inch. Total since January  
1st, 18.81 inches, against an  
average of 7.07 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS  
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel	
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamooks	N.E. winds, fresh; fair generally.
3 H'kong to Gap Rock	
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	
T. F. CLAXTON, Director.	
Hongkong, April 7.	

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